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## Elected Town Officers, 1911.

### Selectmen.

Clarence B. Humphrey, Chairman.

Term expires 1914.

Elias G. Hodgkins.

Term expires 1913.

James F. Caton.

Term expires 1912.

### Moderator.

Daniel F. Knowlton.

### Town Clerk.

Milton D. Porter.

### Treasurer.

Benjamin O. Honors.

### Collector of Taxes.

Nathan G. Bubier.

### Auditors.

Harry E. Cahoon, Chairman.

Stuart P. Ellis.

Nathaniel F. Bartlett.

### Assessors.

Edward A. Maxfield, Chairman and Secretary.

Term expires 1914.

Oscar G. Poor.

Term expires 1913.

Gilbert Delano.

Term expires 1912.

### Water and Sewer Commissioners.

William H. Bates, Chairman.

Term expires 1914.

I. Irving Edgerly.

Term expires 1913.

Samuel M. Kehoe.

Term expires 1912.

**Park Commissioners.**

Arthur T. Tapper, Chairman.

Term expires 1913.

Robert Leslie.

Term expires 1914.

Everit B. Terhune.

Term expires 1912.

**School Committee.**

S. Perry Congdon, Chairman.

Term expires 1914.

Arthur W. Stubbs, Secretary.

Term expires 1912.

J. Henry Welch.

Term expires 1913.

**Public Library Trustees.**

Frank F. Stanley, Chairman.

Term expires 1913.

Elizabeth J. Hadley.

Term expires 1912.

Francis E. Ingalls.

Term expires 1914.

**Overseers of the Poor.**

Joseph F. Crowell, Chairman.

Term expires 1913.

Edmund Russell, Secretary.

Term expires 1912.

William H. Carroll.

Term expires 1914.

**Board of Health.**

Dr. Loring Grimes, Chairman.

Term expires 1914.

George C. Webster.

Term expires 1913.

John B. Cahoon.

Term expires 1912.

**Surveyor of Highways.**

Michael J. Ryan.

**Tree Warden.**

Everett P. Mudge.

**Constables.**

Richard G. Gilley.

Frank H. Bradford.

William H. Carroll.

## Appointed Town Officers, 1911.

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### **Town Accountant.**

Charles G. Rowell.

### **Town Engineer.**

Fred H. Eastman.

### **Town Counsel.**

Parsons & Bowen.

### **Librarian of Public Library.**

Miss S. L. Honors.

### **Assistant Librarians.**

Mahlon Knowles.

Albert Chase.

Linthall Leatherby.

### **Engineers of Fire Department.**

George P. Cahoon, Chief.

Frank L. Chapman.

George F. Clay.

### **Forest Warden.**

George P. Cahoon.

### **Forest Fire Wards.**

George P. Cahoon.

Frank L. Chapman.

George F. Clay.

**Permanent Police.**

Ulysses M. Corson, Chief.

Adelbert S. Hammond.

J. Henry Pedrick.

Charles Connell.

Joseph D. Spinney.

Charles H. Dunlap.

Eugene P. Brogan.

James C. Pearson.

**Keeper of Lockup.**

Ulysses M. Corson.

**Constables.**

Ulysses M. Corson.

J. Henry Pedrick.

Adelbert S. Hammond.

Joseph D. Spinney.

Charles Connell.

Eugene P. Brogan.

Charles H. Dunlap.

James C. Pearson.

**Superintendent of Cemetery.**

Edward A. Smith.

**Superintendent of Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.**

George W. Thomas.

**Caretaker of Monument Lot.**

Michael Haley.

**Inspector of Animals and Provisions.**

Dr. Frank B. Stratton.

**Milk Inspector.**

Herbert D. Smith.

**Town Weigher.**

Enoch S. Eastman.

**Surveyor of Lumber and Measurer of Wood and Bark.**

Elmer P. Dyer.

Oscar G. Poor.

**Sealer of Weights and Measures.**

Alfred G. Watts.

**Agent and Janitor of Town Hall.**

L. Herbert Cahoon.

**Dog Officer.**

Richard G. Gilley.

**Truant Officer.**

Alfred F. Frazier.

**Field Driver.**

James H. Bryson.

**Registrars of Voters.**

Ernest B. Thing (Republican)	.	.	Term expires 1914
John A. Finnegan (Democrat)	.	.	Term expires 1913
Frank D. Thurston (Democrat)	.	.	Term expires 1912
Milton D. Porter (Republican)	.	.	(ex-officio)

**Superintendent of Moth Work.**

Everett P. Mudge.

**Fence Viewers.**

George H. Doane.

Oscar G. Poor.

Peleg Gardner.

**Secretary of Selectmen.**

C. G. Rowell.

**Secretary of Board of Health.**

Frank E. Littlefield.

**Secretary Overseers of Poor.**

Edmund Russell.

**Secretary of Sewer Commissioners.**

William H. Bates.

## Secretary of Water Commissioners.

James W. Libby.

## Inspector of Plumbing.

Martin E. Nies.

## Town Treasurer's Assistant.

Fred M. Collins.

## Special Police.

George D. R. Durkee	L. Herbert Cahoon.
Burton A. Fogg.	Fred L. Littlefield.
Charles A. Bryson.	John C. Thomas.
John Finnegan, Jr.	William R. Blaney.
George H. Reed.	William H. Carroll.
James P. M. S. Pitman.	Richard G. Gilley.
George R. Hussey.	Horace W. Wardwell.
Paige C. True.	Alfred F. Frazier.
Lemuel W. Pickard.	Edward A. Smith.
Patrick Cryan.	Edwin G. Spaulding.
Gordian Meggison.	David McGrath.
John B. Hoitt.	Charles Q. Lowd.
James C. Pearson.	Frank H. Bradford.
Waldren K. Nason.	William C. McNamara.
Samuel Hooper, Jr.	J. Frank Mower.
Charles L. Stover.	Herbert D. Smith.
John M. Dougherty.	Horace W. Blanchard.
John H. Bryson.	Frank Griffin.
Fred A. Taylor.	Joseph D. Bentley.

## Election Officers, Town Primaries, Sept. 26, 1911.

Special Officer (Democrat)	. . . .	John A. Cullen
Inspector (Republican)	. . . .	George F. Clay
“ (Democrat)	. . . .	John B. Ryan
Deputy Inspector (Republican)	. . . .	W. Percy Norcross
“ “ (Democrat)	. . . .	Abram G. Stone
Teller (Republican)	. . . .	Benjamin B. Blanchard
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	John J. Mehegan
“ (Democrat)	. . . .	Sidney M. Shattuck
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	Andrew Olsen

## Election Officers, State Election, Nov. 7, 1911.

Special Officer (Republican)	. . . .	John A. Cullen
Inspector (Republican)	. . . .	George F. Clay
“ (Democrat)	. . . .	John B. Ryan
Deputy Inspector (Republican)	. . . .	W. Percy Norcross
“ “ (Democrat)	. . . .	Abram G. Stone
Teller (Republican)	. . . .	Richard E. Melzard
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	Stuart P. Ellis
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	Benjamin B. Blanchard
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	Thomas E. Berry
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	Frank V. Porter
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	John J. Mehegan
Teller (Democrat)	. . . .	Andrew Olsen
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	John B. Cahoon
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	Joseph P. Mather
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	William P. Bergin
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	Frank G. Melvin
“ “ . . . .	. . . .	David W. Nisbett



## Appointed Town Committees, 1911.

### Ways and Means.

Elgar H. Townsend,	John Albree,
Leon L. Dennis,	George D. R. Durkee,
Edward N. Carpenter,	Louis A. Wyman.

### Street Lighting.

Edward A. Farnham,	Elias G. Hodgkins,
Martin L. Quinn,	John R. Merritt,
	James F. Caton.

### Auto Chemical.

Board of Selectmen,	Engineers of Fire Department.
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### Salary Committee.

Benjamin G. Ingalls,	Joseph M. Bassett,
Allen S. Rowe,	John F. Keefe,
	Frank H. Gage.

### Land for Park Purposes.

Allen S. Rowe,	George D. R. Durkee,
	James T. Lyons.

### Schoolhouse and Site.

S. Perry Congdon,	Clarence B. Humphrey,
J. Henry Welch,	Edward H. Kitfield,
Arthur W. Stubbs,	John M. Fernald,
	Charles P. Jeffers.

### July 4th.

John F. Keefe,	John M. Nelson,
Frank W. Homan,	Nathaniel R. Martin,
	Stanley M. Stocker.

**Increased Accommodations for Library.**

Frank F. Stanley,	Elihu Thomson
Elizabeth J. Hadley,	Leonard H. Phillips,
Frank E. Ingalls,	Henry B. Sprague,
Elisha W. Cobb.	

**Committee on Boulevard.**

Edward A. Maxfield,	Michael McDonough,
Martin L. Quinn.	

**Purchase of Land on Rock Avenue.**

Arthur C. Widger,	Milton D. Porter,
Benjamin G. Ingalls.	

## Inventory of Public Property.

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Town Hall and land . . . .	\$23,000 00
Public Library . . . .	5,000 00
Pine Street building and land . .	4,500 00
Soldiers' Monument . . . .	3,000 00
Hay scales . . . .	200 00
Portable safe . . . .	100 00
Piano . . . .	350 00
Standard weights and measures .	250 00
Treasurer's safe . . . .	295 00
Town Clerk's safe . . . .	75 00
Collector's safe . . . .	50 00
Selectmen's office fixtures . .	225 00
	<hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> \$37,045 00

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### School Department.

Phillips School and land . . . .	\$60,000 00
Clarke School and land . . . .	33,850 00
Machon School and land . . . .	10,000 00
Palmer School and land . . . .	8,000 00
Pine Street School and land . . .	4,500 00
Beach School and land . . . .	4,200 00
Redington Street property . . . .	25,000 00
Manual Training School . . . .	2,000 00
Land Essex Street . . . .	300 00
School Furniture . . . .	5,500 00
Manual Training Equipment . . .	13,000 00
School supplies . . . .	1,300 00
Laboratory supplies . . . .	800 00
	<hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> \$169,450 00

**Cemetery Department.**

Receiving tomb . . . . .	\$2,000 00
Old tomb . . . . .	20 00
House . . . . .	500 00
Land . . . . .	5,000 00
Implements . . . . .	100 00

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\$7,620 00

**Police Department.**

Police station and fixtures . . . . .	\$3,200 00
Seventeen revolvers . . . . .	170 00
Fifty-five badges . . . . .	63 00
Thirteen pairs handcuffs . . . . .	52 00
Thirteen pairs twisters . . . . .	13 00
Fifteen helmets and caps . . . . .	60 00
Twelve clubs and belts . . . . .	24 00
One gun . . . . .	20 00
Eleven chairs . . . . .	22 00
Two tables . . . . .	6 00
Public Statutes . . . . .	4 25
One motorcycle and tools . . . . .	200 00
One speed gauge . . . . .	15 00
One Oliver visible writer . . . . .	60 00

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\$3,909 25

**Fire Department.**

Engine house, New Ocean street .	\$6,500 00
Land and storage building . .	1,500 00
Mountain Park hose house and land,	500 00
One steam fire engine . . .	3,600 00
One hose wagon . . . .	500 00
One ladder truck and 309 feet of ladders . . . . .	1,999 50
One supply wagon . . . .	250 00
Twenty-five fire-alarm boxes . .	1,850 00
Five alarm bells and strikers . .	2,225 00
Two tape registers and gongs . .	535 00
Six hand chemicals . . . .	150 00
One compressed air whistle . .	1,845 00
Eight horses including harnesses .	2,300 00
Blankets and robes . . . .	50 00
Furniture and bedding : . . .	150 00
Storage battery and switch board .	1,000 00
One repeater and two indicators .	525 00
One light wagon and hose pump .	145 00
One wire wagon and supplies .	425 00

**Chemical House Phillips Beach.**

Chemical house and land . . .	8,400 00
One auto combination hose and chemical engine . . . . .	5,800 00
One horse drawn chemical engine .	2,225 00
Two hand chemicals . . . .	50 00
One indicator and gong . . . .	135 00
Blankets, harnesses and tools . .	260 00
Furniture and bedding . . . .	75 00
Two play pipes . . . . .	42 00
One extra shoe and inner tube for auto . . . . .	73 30

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*Amount carried forward,* \$43,109 80

<i>Amount brought forward.</i>	\$43,109 80	
Hose reel, 300 feet hose, wrench and spanners at John Palmer's, Hum- phrey street . . . . .	200 00	
Hose reel, 300 feet hose, etc., at Bay State stable, Essex street . .	200 00	
Hose reel, 400 feet hose, etc. at Mt. Park hose house . . . . .	300 00	
Hose reel, 400 feet hose, etc., at Lincoln House . . . . .	250 00	
Three thousand six hundred and fifty feet of cotton rubber lined hose, two and one-half inch . . . .	2,050 00	
Three hundred feet of chemical hose.	84 00	
One transmitter and disks . . . .	145 00	
	<hr/>	\$46,338 80

### Street Watering Department.

Two watering carts . . . . .	\$500 00
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### Assessors' Department.

Plans and maps . . . . .	\$3,000 00	
Safe . . . . .	90 00	
Desk . . . . .	25 00	
Table . . . . .	25 00	
Chairs . . . . .	51 00	
Cabinet and cards . . . . .	55 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,246 00

**Health Department.**

Dory and oars . . . . .	\$25 00	
Rollers . . . . .	1 00	
Anchor . . . . .	50	
Two shovels . . . . .	1 50	
Three rakes . . . . .	1 50	
Three pitchforks . . . . .	2 00	
Contagious hospital . . . . .	2,500 00	
Household goods . . . . .	25 00	
Carriage shed . . . . .	50 00	
Generators . . . . .	100 00	
Office furniture, Town Hall . . . . .	193 50	
Atlas . . . . .	25 00	
Letter press . . . . .	10 00	
Typewriter . . . . .	25 00	
Milk inspection outfit . . . . .	33 25	
	<hr/>	\$2,993 25

**Park Department.**

Land, Blaney Beach Reservation . . . . .	\$37,923 00	
Buildings, Blaney Beach Reservation, . . . . .	7,600 00	
Land, Mounment Avenue Reserva- tion . . . . .	24,750 00	
Land, Paradise Road Playground . . . . .	15,114 00	
Buildings, Paradise Road Play- ground . . . . .	200 00	
Equipment and tools . . . . .	308 60	
Office furniture . . . . .	67 00	
Signs . . . . .	12 00	
Wire . . . . .	10 00	
Tank . . . . .	10 00	
Benches, shades and grandstand . . . . .	350 00	
Bubble fountains . . . . .	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$86,444 60

**Water Department**

Water mains and stand-pipe . . .	\$133,250 00	
48,000 feet of land on Pine street . .	5,000 00	
20,000 feet of land west of Stacey's brook . . . . .	1,000 00	
Ten acres of land, Thompson's meadow, Salem . . . . .	1,000 00	
Brick building, Pine street . . .	5,000 00	
Storage house, Pine street . . .	1,300 00	
Stock on hand at storage house and yard . . . . .	980 24	
Horse and wagons, pung and harnesses . . . . .	450 00	
Office furniture, Town Hall . . .	400 00	
1,584 meters . . . . .	13,735 25	
	<hr/>	\$162,175 49

**Sewer Department.**

Pumping station . . . . .	\$7,162 64	
Pumping plant . . . . .	9,000 00	
Land at station . . . . .	1,500 00	
Office furniture . . . . .	420 00	
Material, tools, etc. . . . .	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$18,582 64

**Engineering Department.**

One "Buff and Buff" transit . . .	\$210 00	
One leveling rod . . . . .	9 75	
Tapes . . . . .	15 00	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$234 75	



*Amount brought forward,* \$234 75

Bags and tools . . . . .	15 00
Drawing instruments . . . . .	50 00
Drawing paper, cloth, etc. . . . .	7 00
Blue print pan . . . . .	3 00
Typewriter . . . . .	100 00
Filing cabinet . . . . .	21 00
Drafting table . . . . .	21 50
Office table . . . . .	15 00
Office desk and chairs . . . . .	32 50
Books . . . . .	2 00
Sundries . . . . .	12 50

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\$514 25

#### **Moth Department.**

Power sprayer . . . . .	\$850 00
Ladders . . . . .	31 50
Two pumps . . . . .	25 00
Hose . . . . .	14 00
Tanglefoot . . . . .	34 00
Creosote . . . . .	20 00
Tools and supplies . . . . .	90 20

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\$1,064 70

#### **Poor Department.**

Safe . . . . .	\$35 00
Furniture . . . . .	35 00

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\$70 00

### Highway Department.

Stone crusher plant . . .	\$4,300 00
Extra grate bars for boiler . .	15 00
Steam road roller . . .	3,250 00
Ring roller . . .	250 00
Storage building, State road . .	2,500 00
Gravel bank, Marblehead . .	500 00
Climax road machine . . .	250 00
Water cart . . .	200 00
One two horse wagon . . .	200 00
Street sweeper, extra broom . .	300 00
Nine snow plows . . .	450 00
One oak gutter plow . . .	75 00
One horse, buggy harness, single sleigh, pung, street blanket .	300 00
One Edson pump complete . . .	55 00
Two hundred loads sand in sand shed,	300 00
Supplies for crusher and roller, tools, etc. . . . .	500 00
Four horses including harness, blankets, etc. . . . .	1,650 00
Two double tip carts . . .	380 00
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	\$15,475 00



## Town Clerk's Records.

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**Annual Town Meeting, March 20, 1911.**

### TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County,* *GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Monday, the twentieth day of March, current, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for one (1) year.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for one (1) year.

To choose a member of the Board of Selectmen for one (1) year.

To choose a member of the Board of Selectmen for two (2) years.

To choose a member of the Board of Selectmen for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Assessors for three (3) years.

To choose a Town Treasurer for one (1) year.

To choose a Collector of Taxes for one (1) year.

To choose one member of the Board of School Committee for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose a Board of Auditors for one (1) year.

To choose one member of the Board of Overseers of the Poor for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.

To choose a Surveyor of Highways for one (1) year.

To choose three Constables for one (1) year.

To choose a Park Commissioner for three (3) years.

To choose a member of the Water and Sewerage Commission for three (3) years.

To choose a Tree Warden for one (1) year.

All to be chosen on one ballot.

ART. 3. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town?

ART. 4. To hear and act upon the reports of the Selectmen, the School Committee, the Water and Sewerage Commissioners, the Board of Health, the Library Trustees, the Park Commissioners, the Overseers of the Poor, the Board of Assessors, the Board of Auditors, the Surveyor of Highways the Tree Warden, the Committee on Street Lighting, the Committee on Ways and Means, the Board of Fire Engineers, the Chief of Police, the Superintendent of the Cemetery, the Inspector of Plumbing, the Inspector of Animals, the Inspector of Milk, the Sealer of Weights and Measures, the Town Accountant, the Committee on Air Whistle, the Committee on Bathing Facilities, the Committee on Stacey's Brook, the Committee on July 4th, the Committee on increased accommodations for the Library, the Committee on the Inspection of Wires and Buildings, the Town Engineer and the Superintendent of Moth Work.

ART. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations therefor.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year, beginning March 20, 1911, in anticipation of the taxes for said municipal year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current year expenses of the Town, giving the notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from date thereof.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will authorize and direct the Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Selectmen, to borrow money upon the notes of the Town, duly authenticated, to meet the appropriations voted at the Annual Meeting for nineteen hundred and eleven (1911) or any adjournment thereof.

ART. 8. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Collector of Taxes for the ensuing year.

ART. 10. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Water and Sewerage Commissioners for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collections of taxes and what rate of discount, if any, will be allowed for the prompt payment on or before a certain date.

ART. 12. To see what action the Town will take in relation to salaries for Town Officials for the ensuing year.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to amend the following sections of its By-Laws, viz :—

Section 1 of Chapter 2.  
Section 5 of Chapter 2.  
Section 4 of Chapter 3.  
Section 1 of Chapter 4.  
Section 4 of Chapter 4.  
Section 8 of Chapter 4.  
Section 1 of Chapter 5.  
Section 7 of Chapter 6.  
Section 8 of Chapter 6.  
Section 11 of Chapter 6.  
Section 13 of Chapter 6.  
Section 15 of Chapter 6, as follows :

Section 1 of Chapter 2 : By striking out the word "March" in the fourth line and inserting in place thereof the word "February." By striking out the following in the ninth line "a Moderator of said meeting" and inserting in place thereof the words "Town Officers." By striking out the word "seven" in the tenth line and inserting in place thereof the word "six." By striking out the following in the eleventh and twelfth lines "after the election of a Moderator" and by striking out the following in the thirteenth and fourteenth lines "for the election of Town officers," so as to read as follows :

The annual town meeting for the election of town officers shall be held on the third Monday of February in each year. The warrant for said annual meeting shall contain such articles as are required for raising and appropriating moneys, and for general and special town purposes. For the election of Town officers, the polls shall be opened at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, and they shall remain open until half past four o'clock in the afternoon, after which time a vote may be passed to close them in not less than ten minutes. After the declaration of the votes for town officers, the meeting shall be adjourned to the Tuesday next thereafter at such time as the meeting may determine, when the remaining articles of the warrant shall be acted upon.

Section 5 of Chapter 2 : By adding at the end thereof the following : “ and no action shall be had upon any article involving the appropriation or expenditure of money, the creating of a debt or the disposal of any town property, other than a reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, unless not less than one hundred qualified voters of the town are present at said meeting.” So as to read as follows :

Whenever the Warrant for any Town Meeting contains an Article appropriating or involving the expenditure of money, the creating of a debt or the disposal of any town property, the Selectmen shall, six days at least before the day named in said Warrant for holding said Town Meeting, send a copy of the Warrant containing such Article to the Committee on Ways and Means, who shall consider the same and make a report thereon with their recommendations to the Town Meeting ; and no action, other than a reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, shall be had upon any Article involving the appropriation or expenditure of money, the creating of a debt or the disposal of any town property, unless not less than one hundred qualified voters of the Town are present at said meeting.

Section 4 of Chapter 3 : By striking out the words “ for the construction of any public building ” and inserting in place thereof “ any public work,” so as to read as follows :

No contract or change of contract or order for labor or materials involving the expenditure of over \$500 from any appropriation shall be valid until countersigned by a majority of the Board of Selectmen and recorded in a book kept for the purpose. This Section shall be written or printed upon every contract for the construction of any public work.

Section 1 of Chapter 4 : By striking out the entire Section and inserting in place thereof the following :



The Selectmen shall, once each third year, or whenever there is a vacancy in the office of Town Accountant, appoint a competent Accountant in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910, who shall perform the duties prescribed by said Chapter.

Section 4 of Chapter 4: By striking out all of said Section after the word "Selectmen" in the sixth line thereof, so as to read as follows:

If he shall approve a bill or demand he shall cause it to be entered in a book kept for that purpose, and shall prepare a Warrant or order for its payment for the signature of the majority of the Selectmen.

Section 8 of Chapter 4: By striking out all of said Section after the ninth line, and inserting in place thereof the following: Such statement shall be arranged, as far as practicable, to conform to the classification prescribed by the Bureau of Statistics and Labor, and shall be accompanied by a schedule of the property belonging to the Town. So as to read as follows:

He shall in his Annual Report include a statement of all the receipts and expenditures of the Town for the past financial year, giving in detail the amount of each specified appropriation and the expenditure therefrom, the receipt from each source of income, the reduction, if any, in the Town debt and the change, if any, in the sinking funds. Such statement shall be arranged as far as practicable to conform to the classifications prescribed by the Bureau of Statistics and Labor, and shall be accompanied by a schedule of the property belonging to the Town.

Section 1, of Chapter 5: By striking out the first ten lines and inserting in place thereof the following: There shall be appointed a standing Committee on Ways and Means to consist of six citizens, no one of whom shall hold Town office at the time of his appointment, or while serving on this Committee:

election to Town office shall terminate his membership on said Committee on Ways and Means. Upon the adoption of this article the Moderator shall appoint the members of the Committee to serve for the following term. Two for one year, two for two years, and two for three years, and at each Annual Town Meeting thereafter the Moderator shall appoint two members to serve for a term of three years. The members of this Committee shall serve without pay. So as to read as follows :

There shall be appointed a standing Committee on Ways and Means to consist of six citizens, no one of whom shall hold Town office at the time of his appointment, or while serving on this Committee : election to Town office shall terminate his membership on said Committee on Ways and Means. Upon the adoption of this Article, the Moderator shall appoint the members of the Committee to serve for the following terms : Two for one year, two for two years, and two for three years, and at each Annual Town Meeting thereafter the Moderator shall appoint two members to serve for a term of three years. The members of this Committee shall serve without pay. The Selectmen shall fill any vacancies occurring in their number. The Committee on Ways and Means shall have access to all the books and vouchers belonging to the Town (unless otherwise provided by law).

Section 7 of Chapter 6 : By striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following :

The financial year of the Town shall begin the first day of January and close the thirty-first day of December next ensuing and during the interval between the thirty-first day of December in each year and the time of making the next annual appropriations, the Selectmen, in order to meet the liabilities of the several departments incurred in the carrying on of the work entrusted to them, shall have authority to make expenditures and payments from the treasury from any available funds therein and the same shall be charged

against the next annual appropriation, but such expenditures and liabilities incurred shall be for the sole purpose of carrying on the actual running expenses of each department.

Section 8 of Chapter 6: By striking out the words "except state and county taxes and principal and interest of legally authorized notes and all payments authorized by the laws of the Commonwealth," so as to read as follows:

No money shall be paid by the Town Treasurer without a written or printed warrant for the same, bearing the signatures of a majority of the Selectmen and stating the appropriations against which such warrant is drawn.

Section 13 of Chapter 6: By striking out the words "at a rate to be fixed annually by the town pursuant to Chapter 12, Section 72 of the Revised Laws," in the sixth, seventh and eighth lines and inserting in place thereof "six per cent per annum," so as to read as follows:

All taxes assessed in each year shall be paid on or before the first day of November in the same year and on all such taxes as shall not be paid on or before said day, interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum. In all cases where the tax bills are not paid at the time specified above, it shall be the duty of the Collector forthwith to issue a summons to each delinquent and if such delinquent does not pay the amount of his tax within fourteen days after the issuing of the summons, the Collector shall forthwith proceed to collect the amount due in manner provided by law and the Collector shall be authorized to use all means of collecting taxes which the Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use.

Section 15 of Chapter 6: By striking out the words "except county tax" in the third line thereof, so as to read as follows:

Every collector shall pay over to the Town Treasurer all taxes by him collected, at least once in each week, until the collection is completed.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to sell the Chemical Fire Engine now stationed at Phillips Beach, and purchase an Auto Chemical Engine to take the place of the old one.

ART. 15. To see if the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott will vote to ratify, confirm supplement and amend the vote of the Town passed at the Special Meeting on Tuesday, the first day of November, A. D. 1910, which was as follows :

“That the report of the Committee on Schoolhouses and Schoolhouse sites be accepted and their recommendations be adopted; that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are directed and instructed to proceed as provided by law to make a taking of the land therein described, and that the Committee be instructed to procure plans and estimates both for an eight and a sixteen-room schoolhouse and report at the next Town Meeting.” And now vote to take in fee the following described parcels of land, bounded and described as follows :

First: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate at the corner of Redington street and Mapledale place in said Swampscott, belonging now or formerly to Clarence B. Delano, bounded southerly by Redington street eighty-four and 8-100 feet; southeasterly by a curved line at the junction of said Redington street and Mapledale place seventeen and 45-100 feet; easterly by Mapledale place seventy-eight and 8-100 feet; northerly by land now or formerly of Lottie M. Delory, about ninety-four feet; westerly by land now or formerly of Samuel M. Kehoe, eighty-two feet. Said land is shown as Lot A on a plan to be hereinafter mentioned.

Second: A certain parcel of land situate on Mapledale place in said Swampscott, belonging now or formerly to Lottie M. Delory and bounded and described as follows: Easterly by Mapledale place one hundred and twenty feet; northerly by land now or formerly of H. Scott Tuttle about ninety-four feet; westerly by land now or formerly of

Samuel M. Kehoe, about one hundred and twenty feet: southerly by land now or formerly of Clarence B. Delano about ninety-four feet. Said land is shown on Lot "B" on the aforesaid plan.

Third: A certain parcel of land situate on Redington street in said Swampscott, belonging now or formerly to Samuel M. Kehoe, and bounded and described as follows: Southerly by Redington street one hundred and fifty-nine and 43-100 feet; easterly by land now or formerly of Lottie M. Delory, Clarence B. Delano and H. Scott Tuttle, two hundred thirteen and 26-100 feet; northerly by land now or formerly of the Essex Land Trust, one hundred fifty-seven and 28-100 feet; westerly by land now or formerly of Samuel M. Kehoe, land now or formerly of James E. Hardy, and land now or formerly of Clara B. Curtis, one hundred eighty-six and 10-100 feet; said land is shown as "Lot "C" on the aforesaid mentioned plan.

Fourth: A certain parcel of land situate on Sheridan road in said Swampscott, belonging now or formerly to the Essex Land Trust, and bounded and described as follows: Southerly by land now or formerly owned by Samuel M. Kehoe, one hundred fifty-nine and 68-100 feet; northeasterly by land now or formerly of Essex Land Trust about twenty-six feet; northeasterly, northerly and northwesterly by a curved line having a radius of twenty-five feet and bounded on land of the Essex Land Trust about sixty-five feet; northwesterly by a curved line having a radius of twenty-one feet and still bounding on land of said Essex Land Trust about twenty feet; northwesterly by a straight line thirty feet from and parallel to first mentioned line, and bounded on land now or formerly of Essex Land Trust about one hundred feet; southwesterly by Sheridan road about thirty-one feet; said land includes Sheridan road terrace and Lot "D" as shown on the aforesaid mentioned plan.

All of said land is shown on a plan drawn by F. H. Eastman, Town Engineer, dated December 12, 1910, and on file at the office of the Selectmen of the Town of Swampscott, and is entitled "Plan of land in Swampscott, Mass., for the purpose of erecting thereon a building to be used for a public school."

ART. 16. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Selectmen as contained in the Annual Report, February 1, 1911, of the Town on pages 127, 140 and 141.

ART. 17. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Surveyor of Highways as contained in the Annual Report, February 1, 1911, of the Town on page 228 and 229.

ART. 18. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendation of the Board of Health as contained in the Annual Report, February 1, 1911, of the Town on page 245.

ART. 19. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Park Commissioners as contained in the Annual Report, February 1, 1911, of the Town on pages 200, 201, 203, and 204.

ART. 20. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Engineers of the Fire Department as contained in the Annual Report, February 1, 1911, of the Town on pages 231, 232 and 234.

ART. 21. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Chief of Police as contained in the Annual Report, February 1, 1911, of the Town on page 238.

ART. 22. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Tree Warden, as contained in the Annual Report, February 1, 1911 of the Town on page 267.



ART. 23. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Water and Sewerage Commissioners, as contained in the Annual Report, February 1, 1911 of the Town on pages 206, 216 and 217.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) to be placed in the hands of Gen. James L. Bates, Post 118, G. A. R., for heating and lighting the Grand Army Hall, as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) to be placed in the hands of Gen. James L. Bates, Post 118, G. A. R., toward defraying the expenses of Memorial Day, as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 26. To appoint a Committee on Ways and Means in accordance with the revised By-Laws.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the unexpended balance of \$800 for the construction of Banks Road, section two, as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will vote that all unexpended balances, February 1, 1911, revert to the Treasury, and that all money expended by each department between February 1, 1911 to March 20, 1911 be charged to this year's appropriations as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will vote to place an incandescent light on Monument avenue, near Hardy road, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by William H. Bates and others.

ART. 30. To see what action the Town will take to erect and maintain an electric street light on Humphrey street corner of Harrison avenue, and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for by Fred E. Wheeler and others.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will vote to construct a granolithic sidewalk on the south side of Elmwood road from a point opposite the estate of Marcena J. Proctor to a point opposite the estate of Sasette J. Luther, to be paid for out of the continuous sidewalk appropriation and assess the abutters for one-half the cost of same, as petitioned for by Fred L. Tarr and others.

ART. 32. To see what action the Town will take in relation to taking a certain plot of land on the northerly side of Essex street for park purposes, and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for by Martin L. Quinn and others.

ART. 33. To see what action the Town will take toward granting an increase of twenty-five cents per day to all employees of the Highway, Moth, Water and Sewer Departments as petitioned for by John A. Finnegan and others.

ART. 34. To see what action the Town will take toward granting an increase for double teams to \$5.50 and for single teams to \$4.00 per day, as petitioned for by George W. Curtis and others.

ART. 35. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the proper observance of the Fourth of July, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Martin L. Quinn and others.

ART. 36. To see what action the Town will take toward petitioning the Metropolitan Park Commissioners to extend the boulevard from the Monument to Atlantic avenue, as petitioned for by W. L. Fay and others.

ART. 37. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Park Commissioners to ascertain if the Phillips swamp property on Humphrey street, bounded on the east by land of Curtis *et al.* and on the west by the Ocean House property, can



at this time be purchased for a public playground, and if not authorize them to make a taking of this property according to law under the Park Act, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by William P. Bergin and others.

ART. 38. To see what action the Town will take in relation to purchasing land on Rock avenue owned by Ellen A. Collins and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Martin L. Quinn and others.

ART. 39. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to consider the advisability of and formulate plans for, increasing the width of Humphrey street between the Monument and the Fish House, and report to the Town not later than the next Annual Town Meeting, as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 40. To see what action the Town will take in relation to increasing the salary of the Collector of Taxes to \$600 per year and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for by Martin L. Quinn and others.

ART. 41. To see what action the Town will take in regard to granting the members of the permanent Police Department of the Town, one day off in fifteen with pay, as petitioned for by Edward A. Maxfield and others.

ART. 42. To see what action the Town will take, if any, toward granting a Saturday half holiday with pay for the Highway, Water, Sewer, Health and Moth Departments, for the months of April, May, June, July, August and September, as petitioned for by John B. Cahoon and others.

ART. 43. To see what action the Town will take in relation to building a ten or twelve room school building on the present schoolhouse site on Redington street, taking the additional land necessary for the same, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Martin L. Quinn and others.

ART. 44. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$500 for the painting and repairing of the Town Hall, as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 45. To see if the Town will vote to have Granolithic sidewalks put in place in the public streets in Swampscott on the same terms as tar concrete sidewalks have been put in in past years, namely: The Town to pay one-half of the expense and the abutters to pay the other one-half, and to make an appropriation for the same, as petitioned for by M. McDonough and others.

ART. 46. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$8,500 for Sewer Construction as recommended by the Water and Sewerage Board.

ART. 47. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles.

The polls to be closed at sunset.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this third day of March, in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of the Town of Swampscott, Mass., by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Post Offices, Depots, and three other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Wednesday, the eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and eleven, the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

Meeting called to order at 6 o'clock A. M. by the Moderator, Daniel F. Knowlton. Warrant and the return thereon read by the Clerk. The following were qualified by the Clerk to act as election officers. Special, John A. Cullen (Dem.), Ballot Clerks, James W. Libbey (Rep.) and Willis E. Paul (Dem.). Tellers, Richard E. Melzard, Frank V. Porter, Benjamin B. Blanchard, Thomas E. Berry, Joseph G. Reed, William B. Patten, Freeman A. Baker (Rep.). Sidney M. Shattuck, William P. Bergin, Joseph P. Nies, David W. Nisbett, James A. Finnegan, Frank G. Melvin (Dem.).

The polls closed at 5.55 P. M., 965 general and 8 special ballots having been cast.

At 10.25 P. M. the vote was declared as follows :

For Moderator—Daniel F. Knowlton, 722, elected; blanks, 243.

For Town Clerk, Milton D. Porter, 770, elected; blanks, 195.

For Selectmen for three years—Clarence B. Humphrey, 742, elected; John J. Chauncey, 14; blanks, 209.

For Selectman for two years—Charles S. Haskell, 301; Elias G. Hodgkins, 540, elected; blanks, 74.

For Selectman for one year—James F. Caton, 532, elected; Arthur C. Widger, 364; blanks, 69.

For Treasurer—Benjamin O. Honors, 782, elected; blanks, 183.

For Assessor for three years—Edward A. Maxfield, 749, elected; blanks, 216.

For Collector of Taxes—Nathan G. Bubier, 820, elected; blanks, 145.

For School Committee for three years—S. Perry Congdon, 654, elected; blanks, 319.

For Overseers of Poor for three years—Charles A. Blanchard, 24; J. Watson Butcher, 118; William H. Carroll, 155, elected; Charles T. Jackson, 61; blanks, 607.

For Board of Health for three years—Loring Grimes, M. D., 722, elected; blanks, 243.

For Water and Sewerage Board for three years—William Bates, 755, elected; blanks, 210.

For Park Commissioner for three years—George D. R. Durkee, 419; Robert Leslie, 456, elected; blanks, 90.

For Trustee of Public Library for three years—Frank E. Ingalls, 735, elected; blanks, 230.

For Surveyor of Highways—Michael J. Ryan, 757, elected; blanks, 208.

For Tree Warden—Everett P. Mudge, 556, elected; George Newhall, 380; blanks, 29.

For Auditors—Nathaniel F. Bartlett, 750, elected; Harry E. Cahoon, 727, elected; Stuart P. Ellis, 697, elected; blanks, 721.

For Constables—Frank H. Bradford, 653, elected; William H. Carroll, 627, elected; Richard G. Gilley, 688, elected; blanks, 927.

License Question—"Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?" No, 677; Yes, 165; blanks, 123.

Voted at 10.35 P. M. to adjourn to tomorrow, Tuesday evening, at 7.30 o'clock.

### **Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, March 21, 1911.**

Meeting called to order at 7.30 P. M. by the Moderator.

Records of last meeting read and declared approved.

ARTICLE 4. Voted, to accept the reports in Article 4 and the recommendations be referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Mr. Russ, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee read and submitted the following report upon Article 14 of the Warrant.

#### **Report of the Special Committee Appointed to Consider the Question of Installing a Combination Auto- Chemical and Hose Wagon.**

Pursuant to vote of the town on November 1, 1910, this Committee appointed as a Special Committee to investigate the subject of the purchase of an auto-chemical to be stationed at Phillips Beach, has studied the question and finds:

Conditions warrant the installation of a hose wagon and hose at Phillips Beach chemical house, there being no such apparatus there at present. This entails an additional pair of horses, and the services of an additional driver.

The Board of Engineers, in its annual report, calls attention to the further necessity for the purchase of four horses to replace others.

These are the conditions that have got to be met, and we find, as an alternative proposition, an auto chemical could be installed at the Phillips Beach chemical house, doing away with the necessity for the purchase of both the required hose wagon and additional horses requested in the Engineers' report, together with attendant expense for upkeep of the horses and salary of the additional driver.

The territory served by our two fire stations is large and often involves long runs which are especially severe on horses, particularly in winter. The number of residences to be protected is increasing rapidly. The total of taxable real estate (buildings) in town, subject to damage by fire, is, according to assessors' last figures, \$4,297,200. Prompt and efficient service during the first few minutes of a fire means much more than can be accomplished after the blaze has secured headway, and considering the remoteness of some sections of our town from the fire stations, also the character of the property requiring fire protection, we believe that if improvements over present methods of administering our service are available, they should receive careful consideration. The point is well taken that should any one of the large hotels along our shore be destroyed by fire, there would be lost to the taxable list valuation much more than offset the cost of installing up-to-date apparatus. The value of auto apparatus, as contrasted with the other form, is becoming so evident that the time when auto service will entirely supersede horse-drawn apparatus is undoubtedly limited only by the ability of the manufacturers to evolve practical auto fire apparatus in all its forms.

An auto chemical, however, or combination chemical and hose wagon, such as is advocated for the town, consists merely in the application of standard chemical and similar fire-fighting apparatus on standard automobile mechanism, which has been designed and strengthened for this particular purpose.



Fairly accurate statistics on the subject of the Swampscott matter are as follows :

Cost of new hose wagon required . . . . .	\$500 00
Cost of pair of horses for same . . . . .	700 00
Average annual cost of feed and upkeep for two horses . . . . .	450 00
Harnesses for two horses . . . . .	125 00
Yearly salary of additional driver . . . . .	936 00
Two additional horses required for present chemical etc., as recommended by Chief . . . . .	700 00
Annual feed and upkeep for same . . . . .	450 00
Repairs on stalls . . . . .	100 00
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	\$3,961.00

To offset this there is :

Cost of combination auto chemical and hose wagon equipped with two chemical tanks, approximately,	\$5,800 00
Annual cost of upkeep and supplies as compiled from information from various cities and towns say . . . . .	200 00
No additional man would at present be required.	
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	\$6,000 00

Total difference at end of first year . . . . .	\$2,039 00
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At the end of the first year of service the saving in salary of additional man and feed for four horses alone, made possible by use of auto chemical, would nearly offset the difference, while in addition it is obvious that the matter of the salary for additional man called for in the Chief's report and the upkeep of horses are annually recurrent. Consequently, as a business proposition only, to say nothing of increased efficiency, it would be policy to buy auto apparatus.

The cost of additional hose in either case would be the same, approximately \$800.

This Committee has made considerable investigation on the subject of the type of machine to be recommended for purchase by the Town, and in our judgment the selection narrows to

choice of one of two cars, proposals for which are now in the hands of this Committee. Owing to the pressure on the manufacturers for delivery to other towns and cities of cars of the type we require, it would be impossible to make the tests the Committee desires to see made before September 1. The companies in question have each agreed to have in Swampscott on September 1 a car equipped according to the specifications of our Fire Department, together with a chauffeur, to remain on trial here for two weeks, subject to the Committee's inspection and tests, enabling us to select a car that, in our judgment, we would feel justified in advocating for purchase, on condition that the Town agrees to purchase a car from one of these two companies, all this at no expense to the Town.

We therefore recommend that the present horse-drawn chemical stationed at the Phillips Beach house be sold; that the members of the present Committee on Ways and Means be continued as a Special Committee to complete their labors and select for the Town a car under the conditions described, the majority vote of that Committee to be considered as the Committee's findings: the Committee to make known its final selection to the Board of Selectmen, which Board, by the vote taken under this recommendation, is empowered and directed to purchase the car recommended by the Special Committee, at a price not to exceed \$6,000; that this sum, or such part thereof as becomes necessary for the purpose, be appropriated, and that the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue bonds for the amount required, to be known as Town of Swampscott Fire Department bonds, 1911, dated during the current year, for \$1,000 each, or necessary fractional part thereof, maturing one each year until paid, with interest at rate of 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. None of said bonds shall be obligatory without the authenticating certificate of some bank or trust company endorsed thereon, the principal and interest to be payable at the office of the bank or trust company designated. All other particulars as to the form, sale and issuance of said bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and Board of Selectmen.



To vote authorizing the Committee on Ways and Means to act as a special Committee to gather data on this subject was counter to our recommendation that a Committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to look into the subject and report. While appreciative of the confidence reposed in the Committee, as expressed at the meeting, we feel it is not out of place to call attention to the fact that a Committee on Ways and Means is one established for the purpose of studying Town conditions as they are brought out by various articles in Town Warrants, involving the expenditure of money, and affording the town the benefit of such study in the way of recommendations, making it, in other words, a check on expenditures called for by various other Committees and individuals. Assuming that its usefulness lies in this direction, we strongly urge the inadvisability of placing at the disposal of *any* Committee on Ways and Means the office of gathering original data on any subject, as in this instance. Obviously, if the idea of a check Committee is carried to a logical conclusion, some other Committee should subsequently review *its* findings. Our experience has shown us, too, that a matter of this nature is more satisfactorily undertaken by a smaller Committee, inasmuch as the time required to make the necessary study of the question involved cannot always readily be given by each member of a Committee of seven.

HARRY O. RUSS,  
WILLIAM E. PLUMMER,  
HARRY M. DOANE,  
C. IRVING LINDSEY,  
WILLIAM W. SEYMOUR,  
CHARLES W. TUCKER,  
FRED W. NEWCOMB.

On motion of Edmund Russell it was

Voted, that the report of the Committee upon Article 14 be accepted and that the Board of Engineers of the Fire Depart-

ment, and the Board of Selectmen, constitute a committee to investigate the various types of auto chemicals manufactured, and report to the next adjourned Town Meeting, particularly with regard to the type of auto chemical best adapted for use in Swampscott.

ART. 6, Voted to accept and adopt the Committee's report upon this article

ART. 6. To authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. We recommend that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow during the current municipal year, beginning March 20, 1911, in anticipation of taxes for said municipal year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current year expenses of the town, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from date thereon, to the total amount of \$125,000.

### **Report of the Committee on Ways and Means.**

ART. 15. In relation to new schoolhouse and its location.

This question seems to have aroused a healthy and widespread interest, and study of the matter emphasizes the necessity for disposing of the question only after due thought. The question is not one that should be voted on hastily, nor should its merits be determined by the oratory of the moment as presented on the floor of the Town Hall. It is with a view to affording each and every voter ample opportunity for seeing conditions as they have impressed themselves upon the Committee that our report is embodied in pamphlet form and mailed to each voter whose name and address are given in the Assessors' Valuation Book, dated April 1, 1910, and it is our sincere hope that every one interested, directly or indirectly (and it is difficult to conceive how any one can lack an interest in the question of the proper education of children), shall appear at the Town Meeting when this matter comes up for final action, and vote according to his

personal convictions. Whether you vote for the Committee's recommendations or against them is, in a sense, immaterial to the Committee, the main issue being that you should APPEAR and VOTE!

When this matter was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means at the meeting held December 28 last, we felt that sufficient time to properly study the matter had not been given us and asked for more time that, as we stated, we might study the subject in our own way. This did not in any way signify that our conclusions might differ from that of the Special Schoolhouse Committee, which had previously gone into the matter very exhaustively and whose report was at that time before the Town.

Individually and collectively, we have given the matter a great deal of thought. Originally we found ourselves averse to the Kehoe lot, so called, which had been recommended by the Schoolhouse Committee, and, in fact, we later learned that it had also been the individual attitude of each member of the Schoolhouse Committee. Our investigation of town and school conditions has led us to one inevitable conclusion, and we find ourselves in the position, after study of the question, of agreeing with the original findings of the Schoolhouse Committee, and we believe that the only practical measure to be taken is the erection of a sixteen-room school on the Kehoe lot, or another lot referred to later in this report.

This location is practically in the center of the district in which live the scholars who would attend such a school. Conditions as they are to-day show the Redington Street School, a four-room structure, housing pupils nearly sufficient to fill an eight-room building, which speaks for itself as to its being overcrowded. The Beach School, a three-room structure, in a condition practically unfit for occupancy, has but a portion of its capacity in use, and scholars to-day who properly should attend the Redington Street or Clarke School are obliged to go a considerable distance to the Beach School. We refer at this time to Article 43 in the present warrant, petitioned for by Martin L. Quinn and others, advocating a ten or twelve-room

building on the present Redington Street Schoolhouse site. This lot was considered and reported on by the Schoolhouse Committee, and a few additional facts which we believe were not touched upon in their report may be of service.

But for a small rectangle, measuring about fifty-four feet by ninety-one feet, owned by Mrs. Wiley, and which we understand in a general way the Town could purchase for about \$5,000, the Redington street lot would measure about one hundred and twenty-six feet on Redington street by about one hundred and fifty-nine feet deep. Architectural opinion is to the effect that the most that could be expected of a lot of this size would be an eight-room school, and at that, the ground would be well covered. There appears to be no good reason why a new building of this capacity should be put there, to accommodate practically no more scholars than are at present crowded into the four-room building already on the lot. In addition, a new building of whatever dimensions on the Redington street lot involves the important question of the provision that could be made for scholars at present attending this school while the new building is in process of construction. So far as we can find, there are no accommodations available for such an emergency. The proximity of Humphrey street, which is both narrow and dangerous, considering its immense amount of traffic, renders the Redington street site, in our estimation, one to be abandoned for school purposes if some other acceptable solution of the school problem can be found. We believe the best use to which this lot can be put is to place it on the market as a possible source of revenue to the Town.

It should be borne in mind that if, in the judgment of the Committee having the matter in charge, the price per foot asked for the Kehoe lot is excessive, recourse can be, and without doubt would be, had to the courts, where a fair and reasonable price would be fixed as the amount the Town would be called upon to pay. The fact that portions of the lot are considerably below the level of Redington street is not so important as it at first sight seems. It should be remembered that the school building itself would cover a large portion of the lot, and that consequently the

basement for this building is, as we might term it, already excavated. A portion of the lot being higher than the ultimate grade of the ground it is easy to see that this surplus can be utilized for filling what is left of the depression after the basement is established, and consequently the "hole in the ground," as it has been termed, becomes, on analysis, a very desirable building site for the purpose intended. Obviously, the cost of erecting one sixteen-room building as compared with that of putting up two buildings in different parts of the Town, which would accommodate the same number of scholars, would be considerably less, and statistics from the City of Lynn, as compared with some of our own, show that in the Ingalls School on Essex street, a sixteen-room building, housing about seven hundred pupils, the cost of fuel, janitor service, and other items, going to make up the total of maintenance through the year, is \$2 per pupil less than a similar cost for our own Clarke School.

One male principal would be placed in charge of a sixteen-room school, which is in accord with general practice. If two eight-rooms schools were to be built, the expense for salary of principals would be doubled, and this the School Committee feels unable to recommend.

A sixteen-room school would permit of the system of semi-annual promotions. This means that if for sickness or other reasons, it becomes necessary to consider a child as falling behind the class in its studies, it can, by tutoring or other means, be enabled to overcome the handicap and regain its rank, inasmuch as promotions would be made every six months. The matter of making up a full year of study is much more difficult. The School Committee would like to inaugurate the system of semi-annual promotions, but is unable to do so with small school buildings of same grades scattered about the town. It might be added that the general tendency to-day is to concentrate in larger buildings rather than to erect more and smaller buildings over the same area.

It has been stated as an argument against a sixteen-room school that an epidemic would close the school to a large number of scholars. We believe this argument has but little force.



An epidemic that would close a school in one locality, doubtless would show its effects in other districts in the same town, and if serious enough to actually cause the closing of school, would in all probability be sufficiently widespread to close all the schools.

In answer to the argument that many pupils coming from the Phillips Beach district would have to go a long distance to reach a building on the Kehoe lot, we can only say that at present but thirty-two pupils out of the seven hundred odd within the territory served by the proposed school, at present live in the Phillips Beach end of the town, and of course wherever occasion calls for it, their car fares are paid out of the fund held for that purpose by the School Committee. Of the number mentioned, however, as living in the Phillips Beach district, less than half attend the Grammar School on Redington street, the others being primary scholars, attending the Farms School.

It has been seriously stated that a school with adequate assembly hall should be built in a location easily accessible to the parents, who naturally are interested in the school exercises, and that if the building is too far from the car line, it would tend to discourage the attendance of many who otherwise would visit the school. While Swampscott is not so well served by electric car lines through some portions of its territory as might be desired, it is easily possible for residents in the Upper Swampscott and Mountain Park districts, should conditions render it inconvenient to walk, to ride from Essex street transfer at Lynn and alight at Redington street, for one fare. The walk from the car line to the Kehoe lot being in the vicinity of one thousand feet, it would probably be objected to by but very few. It is, of course, quite difficult to select a schoolhouse site that will be near all parts of the town.

We believe it to be a fact that no child attending a school located on the Kehoe lot, or in its immediate vicinity, would have to walk more than one-half mile from home to the schoolhouse.

The argument of lack of play room is met by the fact that while the Kehoe lot faces on a narrow street, the building itself would be located back from the sidewalk about ninety feet, and

the area for play room should not be far from that afforded the scholars at the Ingalls School, Lynn.

To summarize, the Kehoe lot appears to us to be one well adapted to the purpose, having, in addition to the advantages enumerated, that of being located at a point where, within a very few years, to judge by the trend of building operations, it will be in the practical geographical centre of the district it would serve. Certainly, other considerations being acceptable, nothing more desirable than this can be asked.

We are very glad to be able to coincide with the recommendations put forward by the special Schoolhouse Committee, as that Committee is composed of gentlemen well qualified to pass on the question at issue, and who, we have every reason to believe, have performed their duty thoroughly and in a manner above reproach. While we hope that the Town in meeting assembled will indicate its desire to have the Committee proceed with its labors unhampered, the most urgent recommendation we can embody is that every one in any way interested in the question attend the meeting and vote, so that whichever way the matter is settled, it will be by a thoroughly *representative* vote, indicating the preference of the Town as a whole, and not the desires or ideas of a small portion of the townspeople.

In our investigation, a lot of land located where Greenwood and Forest avenues converge has appealed to our Committee as a possible site for a sixteen-room school. This land is at present in its primeval state showing every evidence of ledge foundation, and is largely at considerable grade above the street level. It contains possibilities, however, and is not far from the Kehoe lot. We find that the holdings of the owners concerned, Messrs. Taylor, Eno, Connell and Blaney, comprise about 70,000 square feet, and that the land could probably be purchased for approximately \$8,000, as contrasted with approximate cost of Kehoe lot, as estimated by Schoolhouse Committee . \$15,000 00  
Grading, concrete foundations and filling about . 4,000 00

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\$19,000 00

Also, a contrast of about 70,000 feet in the Greenwood avenue lot as compared with about 51,000 feet in the Kehoe lot and a further comparison of about \$2,000, lost to the Town in taxable property if the Greenwood avenue lot should be used as against a loss of assessment on about \$5,500 of property should the Kehoe lot be accepted.

A schoolhouse on the Greenwood avenue lot would undoubtedly stimulate building in its immediate vicinity and turn much land, at present idle, into valuable building lots, yielding increased revenue to the Town through taxation.

Our Town Engineer, substantiated by a local contractor, has stated that to properly grade the surface of the Greenwood avenue lot, including blasting, excavate for necessary basement, and build about five hundred feet of retaining wall, would probably cost about \$8,000, which, together the cost of the land, makes a total of, roughly, \$16,000 for the lot prepared for the building. We desire merely to recommend this lot to the attention of the Schoolhouse Committee.

We understand from the Schoolhouse Committee that the cost of a sixteen-room building, in its estimation, would be about \$80,000 to \$90,000; and we have the authority of that Committee for inserting this here as its report on that point, so far as it has been able to go in the matter up to date.

We recommend that this whole matter of schoolhouse and schoolhouse site be recommitted to the Special Schoolhouse Committee heretofore having the matter in charge, that Committee to have full power and discretion to proceed with its work; that its attention be invited to the alternative lot suggested by our own Committee, with full authority to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that that board acquire by purchase, or such other means as becomes necessary, such land on the site we suggest as in the judgment of the Schoolhouse Committee may be needed, the necessary purchasing power being, by this vote and under these conditions, conferred on the Board of Selectmen, and that the details as to method of raising money for this purpose, as outlined in a subsequent paragraph, be made applicable to possible action on the lot in question.



Provided, in the judgment of the Special Schoolhouse Committee, the Kehoe lot, so called, is better adapted to the purpose in view, we recommend that Article 15 be accepted and adopted: that the Committee on Schoolhouses and Schoolhouse sites be empowered and instructed to proceed with the selection of an architect, the letting of contracts, and all other work necessary and incidental to the erection of a sixteen-room building on the lot selected: that it also be empowered to expend such sum or sums of money for the above purposes as in its judgment becomes necessary, and that for meeting the expenses which may be incurred under the vote passed under Article 15, the sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as proves necessary, be appropriated to be expended so far as needed to pay for the lot taken and the school building to be erected thereon, said sum to be raised by issuance of Town of Swampscott Schoolhouse bonds, 1911, of \$1,000 each, dated during the current year, and maturing on a serial plan, \$5,000 each year until all are paid, with interest at 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. None of said bonds shall be obligatory without the authenticating certificate of some bond or trust company indorsed thereon. The principal and interest shall be payable at the office of the bank or trust company designated. All other particulars as to the form, sale and issuance of said bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and Board of Selectmen.

HARRY O. RUSS.  
WM. E. PLUMMER.  
HARRY M. DOANE.  
C. IRVING LINDSEY.  
WM. W. SEYMOUR.  
CHARLES W. TUCKER.  
FRED W. NEWCOMB.

March 21, 1911.

Voted, No accept the foregoing report.

MILTON D. PORTER.

*Town Clerk.*

Voted, as moved by Mr. Russ.

That the Town vote by ballot at an adjournment of this meeting on Monday, March 27th, upon the question of a site to be taken for the purpose of erecting thereon a building to be used for a public school.

That the Town Clerk be instructed to prepare a ballot in the Australian form : that the ballot contain the following questions :

Shall the Town of Swampscott take in fee the following described parcels of land situated on Redington street in Swampscott, viz :

First: Property now or formerly of the Bethuel Wiley estate, bounded southeasterly by Redington street, fifty-four and 36-100 feet; southwesterly by land of the Town of Swampscott about ninety-two feet; northwesterly by land of the Town of Swampscott, fifty-four feet; and northeasterly by land now or formerly of Chick, about ninety feet. Be all said measurements more or less.

Second: A certain parcel of land situated on Redington street, being a portion of land now or formerly of Isaac W. Chick, estate, bounded southeasterly by Redington street, fifty and 33-100 feet; southwesterly by land now or formerly of Wiley and land of the Town of Swampscott, about one hundred fifty-four feet; northwesterly by other land of said Chick, about fifty feet; and northeasterly by land now or late of Boyl and land of the Swampscott Methodist Episcopal Society, about one hundred fifty feet. Be all said measurements more or less, (being land adjoining the present schoolhouse on Redington street) for the purpose of erecting thereon a building to be used for a public school: with the words "yes" and "no" and a square after each of said words for a cross; and

Shall the Town of Swampscott take in fee the parcels of land described in Article 15 of the Town Warrant, (situated on Red-

ington street, and being land of Kehoe, Delano and Delory) with the words "yes" and "no" and a square after each of said words for a cross.

That a cross in the square opposite the word "yes" in either instance shall be taken as a vote in favor of the site named or described; that a cross in the square opposite the word "no" in either instance shall be taken as a vote against the site named or described: That if either of said sites receive more votes in the affirmative than in the negative, the site receiving the greatest number of affirmative votes shall be deemed the site selected and the Selectmen shall proceed in accordance with the Provisions of the Statute and complete the taking in accordance with the vote.

That the polls shall be open from one o'clock P. M. until 9.30 P. M. after which time a vote may be passed to close them in not less than ten minutes.

ARTS. 5 and 7. Voted, to lay these Articles upon the table to be taken up with Article 47.

ART. 8. Voted, that the Town Treasurer's bond be \$15,000.

ART. 9. Voted, that the Tax Collector's bond be \$10,000.

ART. 10. Voted, that the bonds of the Water and Sewerage Board be \$3,000 each.

ART. 11. Voted, to refer this Article to the Ways and Means Committee.

ART. 12. Voted, that the following named citizens shall be appointed a salary committee, to consider the salaries for Town Officials, for the ensuing year, and report to the Ways and Means Committee, at least ten days previous to the adjourned Town Meeting in April. Mr. Benjamin G. Ingalls, Mr. Frank H. Gage, Mr. Joseph M. Bassett, Mr. Allen H. Rowe, Mr. John F. Keefe.

Voted, to lay Article 13 upon the table.

Voted, to refer Articles 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, to the Ways and Means Committae.

Voted, to lay Article 28 upon the table to be taken up with Article 13.

Voted, that the present Street Light Committee, Edwin A. Farnham, James F. Caton, John R. Merritt, Elias G. Hodgkins, and Martin L. Quinn, are appointed for the current year.

Voted to refer Articles 29 and 30 to the Street Light Committee, they to report to the Ways and Means Committee.

Voted, to refer Articles 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 38, 41, 42, 44, 45 and 46 to the Ways and Means Committee.

Voted, that Articles 33 and 40 be referred to the Salary Committee they to report to the Ways and Means Committee.

Voted, to refer Article 39 to the Selectmen.

Voted, to lay Article 43 upon the table until the adjourned meeting.

Voted, to take Article 13 from the table and to consider same in Section as amending the following Sections of the Town By-Laws.

Voted to accept and adopt. Section 1 of Chapter 2; Section 5 of Chapter 2; Section 4 of Chapter 3; Section 1 of Chapter 4; Section 4 of Chapter 4; Section 8 of Chapter 4; as printed in the Town Warrant.

Voted, To accept and adopt Section 1 of Chapter 5 as amended by Mr. Townsend by inserting after the words "for a term of three years" the following:

“The annual term shall be from the dissolution of the meeting at which they were appointed to the dissolution of the annual meeting next following,”

also, by striking out the word “Selectmen” and inserting the word “Moderator” so as to read:—

“There shall be appointed a Standing Committee on Ways and Means to consist of six citizens, no one of whom shall hold Town office at the time of his appointment or while serving on this committee; election to Town office shall terminate his membership of said Committee on Ways and Means. Upon the adoption of this article the Moderator shall appoint the members of this committee to serve for the following terms: two for one year, two for two years and two for three years and at each annual Town Meeting thereafter the Moderator shall appoint two members to serve for a term of three years. The annual term shall be from the dissolution of the meeting at which they were appointed to the dissolution of the annual meeting next following. The members of this committee shall serve without pay. The Moderator shall fill any vacancy occurring in their number. The Committee on Ways and Means shall have access to all the books and vouchers belonging to the Town (unless otherwise provided by law).”

Voted, to accept and adopt Section 7 of Chapter 6; Section 8 of Chapter 6: Section 15 of Chapter 6 as printed in the Town Warrant.

A motion to accept and adopt Section 11 of Chapter 6 was lost.

Voted, to refer Section 13 of Chapter 6 to the Adjourned Meeting.

Voted, to refer Article 37 to the Park Commissioners.

Voted, to take up Article 28 and accept and adopt it as printed in the Warrant.

Voted, that when we adjourn it be to Monday, March 27, at 1 o'clock P. M. for a Special ballot.

Voted, that the business session of this meeting stand.

Adjourned to Monday, April 17, 1911, at 7.45 P. M.

Voted, at 9.45 P. M. to adjourn.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

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**Special Adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting  
Balloting for Choice of School Building Site,  
March 27, 1911**

Meeting called to order at 1 o'clock P. M. by the Moderator. Ballot clerk, Fred P. Kennedy; tellers, Benjamin B. Blanchard, James W. Libbey, Arthur C. Widger and Guy T. White, were sworn by the Clerk.

The polls closed at 9.30 P. M., 729 ballots having been cast.

At 10.03 P. M. the following result was announced.

Site 1.	Yes, 438.	Site 3.	Yes, 260.
Site 1.	No. 228.	Site 3.	No. 375.
Blanks	63.	Blanks	69.

Reject both sites 25.

Site 1, declared by the Moderator as chosen.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*



**Recount of Ballots for Overseer of Poor March 29, 1911.**

Petition having been presented to the Town Clerk for a recount of the ballots cast for Overseers of the Poor at the Annual Town Election held on the 20th inst, the Board of Registrars of Voters met at the Town Hall this day at 7 o'clock P. M. and canvassed and recounted the said ballots with the following result :

Charles A. Blanchard, 64; J. Watson Butcher, 120; William H. Carroll, 156; Charles T. Jackson, 39; blanks, 586, when William H. Carroll was declared elected.

MILTON D. PORTER,

*Clerk of Board of Registrars.*

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

**Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, April 17, 1911.**

Meeting called to order at 7.45 P. M. by the Moderator, Records of last meeting read and declared approved, Mr. Harry O. Russ, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, submitted the following report upon the several Articles of the Warrant, and the recommendations, which had been referred to the Committee.

**Report of the Committee on Ways and Means on Article appearing in Town Warrant dated March 3, 1911.**

Your Committee regrets that the limited time at its disposal renders it impossible to do more than make brief recommendations and present our conclusions only, in printed form.

We can only add that it would be helpful to the present Committee and an encouragement to subsequent Committees on Ways and Means if each voter would take sufficient interest in the affairs of the Town to attend the meeting and vote on the questions. It should be realized that action on the questions involved has a direct bearing on such matters as the tax rate,

general improvement of different localities and the welfare of the community as a whole, none of which can by any stretch of the imagination be considered as abstract propositions or questions in which each resident is not directly and personally interested.

ARTICLE 11. We recommend that 2 per cent. discount be allowed on all taxes paid on or before October 1st.

ART. 12. Recommendations of the salary committee to this committee are as follows: — “ recommend that the salaries remain the same as last year with the following changes :

That the Board of Assessors be increased \$65.00 each, and the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Board be increased \$100.00.

On Article 40, we would recommend increase in salary of the Collector of Taxes of \$100.

On Article 33, we would recommend that no action be taken.”

We concur in the above recommendations and further advocate an increase of \$100.00 annually in the salary of Town Treasurer; a rate of \$25.00 per week for the Chief of Police and the Chief of the Fire Department; a rate of \$19.00 per week for the engineer at the central fire station; an increase of \$15.00 per year for the call men in the fire department, salary of \$600.00 annually for the town accountant, and \$200.00 annually for the Town Clerk. We recommend the appropriation of the following sums for the several departments for the year ending December 31, 1911.

## DEPARTMENTAL

### I. GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Legislative . . .	\$300 00
Selectmen . . .	1,500 00
Auditing Department .	800 00
Treasury Department .	950 00
Collector's Department .	750 00

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*Amount carried forward,* \$4,300 00



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4,300 00	
Assessor's Department . .	1,600 00	
Town Clerk's Department . .	275 00	
Law Department . . . .	1,000 00	
Election and Registration . .	450 00	
Engineering Department . .	1,500 00	
Town Hall . . . . .	2,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$11,125 00

## II. PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY

Police Department . . .	\$9,000 00	
Fire Department . . .	13,000 00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures . . . .	70 00	
Forestry Department		
Brown tail and gypsy moth extermination . .	4,500 00	
Tree Warden . . . .	750 00	
Other Protection		
Dog Officer . . . .	75 00	
	<hr/>	27,395 00

## III. HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health Department . . .	\$2,550 00	
Sanitation		
Sewer Maintenance . .	5,000 00	
Sewer Repairs . . .	2,000 00	
Refuse and Garbage disposal . . . .	1,824 00	
	<hr/>	11,374 00

## IV. HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Highway Department . .	\$16,700 00	
Sidewalks and Curb maintenance . . . .	1,100 00	
Street Construction . . .	850 00	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$18,650 00	\$49,894 00
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<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$18,650 00	\$49,894 00
Continuous Sidewalks . . .	2,000 00	
Street Watering and Oiling . . .	5,500 00	
Street Lighting . . .	9,650 00	
	<hr/>	35,800 00
V. CHARITIES		
Poor Department . . .		3,200 00
VI. SOLDIERS BENEFITS		
State Aid . . . . .	\$3,000 00	
Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	3,000 00	
	<hr/>	6,000 00
VII. EDUCATION		
School Maintenance . . .		36,000 00
VIII. LIBRARIES.		
Library Maintenance . . .		1,300 00
IX. RECREATION		
Parks and Gardens . . . . .	\$2,150 00	
Metropolitan Park main- tenance, assessment (as assessed) estimate . . .	3,000 00	
	<hr/>	5,150 00
X. UNCLASSIFIED		
Printing Town Reports . . .	\$615 00	
Contingent Fund . . . . .	500 00	
	<hr/>	1,115 00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES		
I. WATER DEPARTMENT		
Construction . . . . .		3,000 00
II. CEMETERIES		
Cemetery Maintenance . . .		1,500 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$142,959 00

*Amount brought forward,*

\$142,959 00

## INTEREST

Temporary Loans (estimate) . . . .	\$2,000 00	
General Debt . . . .	7,049 76	
Sewer Bonds . . . .	6,692 00	
Metropolitan Park Int. Ass'n't (as assessed) estimate . . . .	4,465 00	
	<hr/>	20,206 76

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

General Debt . . . .	\$21,789 00	
Sewer Bonds . . . .	5,600 00	
Metropolitan Park Sinking Fund Ass'm't (as assessed) estimate . . . .	1,242 00	
	<hr/>	28,631 00

## AGENCY

State Tax (as assessed) estimate . . . .	\$15,000 00	
County Tax (as assessed) estimate . . . .	15,700 00	
	<hr/>	30,700 00
Total		<hr/> <hr/> \$222,496 76

ART. 17. Recommend as follows, purchase of a new stone crusher at a cost not to exceed \$1,500, same to be purchased by the Selectmen and the Surveyor of Highways, the amount to be raised by a note as provided for in subsequent recommendation in connection with Article 47. We recommend appropriations for the following items: two double teams \$1,400, curbstones for street corners \$500, removal of ledge on Highland street \$250.

ART. 18. Recommend \$200 be appropriated for the care of brooks.

ART. 19. Recommend that \$650 be appropriated for completing granolithic walk about the Fish House, \$75 for bubble fountains, \$700 for repairs and maintenance of reservation: these amounts to be paid from Park Department appropriation (provided for in Article 16).

ART. 20. Recommend \$450 for paint and repairs on Central Fire Station, \$125 for paint and repairs on Phillips Beach Chemical house, \$325 for extending fire alarm system to the Fayette street, Lynn, Engine House, \$400 for 500 feet of two and one-half inch hose: above amounts to be paid for from Fire Department appropriation. We recommend in concurrence with the Board of Fire Engineers that the Fire Department horses be taken from street watering work and used exclusively for fire duties.

ART. 21. Recommend one additional regular man and the employment of an extra man for part time, appropriation for all of which is provided by recommendations of the appropriation for Police Department under Article 16.

ART. 22. Recommendations on this Article are all covered by the recommendation for the appropriation for this department under Article 16.

ART. 23. Recommend for repairs on the present sewerage system, \$2,000; this covered by an appropriation as recommended by this Committee under Article 16.

ART. 24. Recommend that this article be adopted and the sum of \$75 be appropriated for the purpose.

ART. 25. Recommend this article be adopted and the sum of \$200 be appropriated for the purpose.

ART. 27. Recommend the sum of \$800 be appropriated and made available for the construction of Banks road, section 2, as soon as waivers are signed.

ART. 31. Recommend that a granolithic sidewalk be constructed on the south side of Elmwood road as petitioned for in the Article, provided a majority of the abutters so desire, the expense thereof to be taken from the Continuous Sidewalk Fund, the abutters to be assessed one-half the cost.

ART. 32. Recommend the appointment of a Committee of Three to investigate the subject and report with definite data at the next annual Town Meeting.

ART. 33. We concur in the report of the Salary Committee and recommend that action upon this Article be indefinitely postponed.

ART. 34. Recommend that action on this Article be indefinitely postponed.

ART. 35. Recommend the appointment by the Moderator of a Committee of Five and that the sum of \$500 be placed at its disposal, for the proper observance of the holiday and the particular entertainment of the children. If necessary, this sum can doubtless be augmented by private subscriptions, as heretofore.

ART. 36. Matters pertaining to this Article are in too indefinite a form to admit of proper consideration by this or any other Committee in the limited time allotted. We recommend the appointment of a Committee of Three to investigate and report with all facts procurable at some later Town Meeting.

ART. 38. Recommend that the consideration of this Article be indefinitely postponed.

ART. 40. We concur in the recommendation of the Salary Committee (under Article 12).

ART. 41. Recommend the adoption of this Article. For the additional expenses about \$100, no appropriation is necessary as it is provided for in the regular Police Department appropriation.

ART. 42. Recommend a Saturday half-holiday be granted employees referred to in the Article during the months May, June, July, August and September under the same working conditions as have heretofore obtained.

ART. 44. Recommend that this Article be accepted and adopted, and the sum of \$500 be appropriated and placed at the disposal of the Selectmen.

ART. 45. We recommend that the Selectmen be empowered at their discretion to lay granolithic or tar concrete on petition of any individual, or a continuous sidewalk on the side of any street on petition of a majority of the abutters on one side of said street for said granolithic or tar concrete, and that in the case of laying granolithic the abutter or abutters be assessed one-half the cost as in the case of tar concrete; that all such sidewalks be paid for from the sidewalk appropriation.

ART. 46. Recommend the adoption of the Article and that the sum of \$8,500 for sewer construction be appropriated to be raised by note as provided subsequently in connection with Article 47.

ART. 47. We recommend that the following be fixed as the particulars of the bonds to be issued by the Town under the votes taken at this meeting. Under Article 17, \$1,500 for stone crusher. Under Article 16, \$3,000 for Water Department construction. Under Article 46, \$8,500 for sewer construction: a total of \$13,000. There shall be thirteen bonds of \$1,000 each, dated during the current year maturing two each year for three years and one each year for the following seven years. The bonds shall bear the the Town seal, be signed by the Town Treasurer, and countersigned by the Board of Selectmen and

shall be authenticated by some Bank or Trust Company, and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed four per cent per annum. They shall be subject to registration, at holder's option, on presentation to the Town Treasurer for cancellation of the coupons and appropriate endorsement. The principal and interest shall be payable at the Town Treasurer's office, or at such Boston Trust Company or Bank as the Town Treasurer or Selectmen designate. They shall be called "Town of Swampscott Miscellaneous Bonds 1911." All other particulars as to the form issuance and sale of such bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen, but the bonds shall not be sold at less than par and interest.

HARRY O. RUSS,  
W. W. SEYMOUR,  
WILLIAM E. PLUMMER,  
C. IRVING LINDSEY,  
FRED W. NEWCOMB,  
CHARLES W. TUCKER,  
HARRY M. DOANE,

*Committee on Ways and Means.*

Swampscott, April 17, 1911.

Voted, to accept the report, and that it be taken up and acted upon by Sections.

Voted, to adopt the Committee's Report that 2 per cent. discount be allowed on all taxes paid on or before October 1st. of the current year.

ART. 12. Mr. H. B. Sprague moved that the Committee's Report on Article 12 be adopted. Mr. M. E. Nies moved to amend that the Chairman of the Board of Overseers of Poor have \$50 additional, and the other two members of the Board have \$35 added to their salaries.



Mr. Sprague having accepted Mr. Nies' amendment, Mr. A. R. Bunting moved as an amendment that the salary of the Town Treasurer be \$600 which was lost.

Mr. A. C. Widger moved to amend that the pay of the call men of the Fire Department be increased \$25, which, by rising vote of 148 yes, 6 no, was carried.

Mr. Nies, stating that he had voted in the negative, moved the reconsideration of the vote whereby Mr. Bunting's amendment was lost, which was carried.

The amendment of Mr. Bunting to increase the Treasurer's salary to \$600, was then put and carried, it was then

Voted, that the recommendations of the Ways and Means Committee on Article 12, as thus amended, embodying an increase of \$65 each in the salary of the Board of Assessors; increase of \$100 in the salary of the Chairman of the Water and Sewerage Board; a rate of \$25 per week for the Chief of Police; and the Chief of the Fire Department; a rate of \$19 per week for the engineer at the central Fire Station; a salary of \$600 annually for the Town Accountant; and \$200 annually for the Town Clerk, be and are hereby adopted, with its amendments.

ART. 40. Voted, to adopt the Committee's recommendation to increase the salary of the Collector of Taxes \$100, making it \$500 annually.

ART. 33. On motion of Edmund Russell, it was

Voted, that the Town increase the pay of all employees of the Highway, Moth, Water and Sewer departments twenty-five (25) cents per day, this vote to go into effect April 18, 1911.

Departmental Section 1, being under consideration, Mr. Humphrey moved to amend that the appropriation for the Treasury Department be \$1,050 which was carried.



Voted, that the recommendations of the Committee in the item of \$13,000 for Fire Department be laid upon the table.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Russ that \$650 be added to the appropriation for Park Department on account of Article 19.

Voted, to adopt the recommendations of the Ways and Means Committee as thus amended, and appropriate the various amounts named.

ART. 17. Mr. Bates moved to amend the Committee's report upon this Article by making the appropriation for two double teams \$2,000, carried.

Voted, to adopt the Committee's report upon Article 17 as thus amended.

ART. 18. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report.

ART. 19. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report.

ART. 20. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report.

Voted, to take Section 2 from the table. On motion of Mr. Humphrey it was voted, to increase the appropriation for the Fire Department to \$15,270.

ART. 21. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report upon this Article.

ARTS. 22 and 23, are included in Article 16 and are thereby adopted.

ARTS. 24 and 25. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report upon these Articles.

ART. 27. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report upon this Article, amount to be taken from Non Revenue account.

Voted, to take up Article 45 and to adopt the Committee's recommendations as pledged.

ART. 31. Voted, to refer this Article to the Selectmen.

ART. 32. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report, Allen S. Rowe, James T. Lyons and George D. R. Durkee, appointed as the Committee.

ART. 34. Voted, to accept and adopt this Article.

ART. 35. Voted, to appropriate \$700, to be expended under direction of the same Committee as last year.

ART. 36. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report, Edward A. Maxfield, Martin L. Quinn and M. McDonough, named as the Committee.

ART. 37. The Committee appointed at a previous meeting reported that Mr. Phillips did not wish to dispose of the land in question.

Voted, that the matter of Article 37 be referred back to the Park Commissioners with the Committee named to consider Article 32 and report at next Town Meeting.

ART. 38. Voted, on motion of Charles S. Haskell, by rising vote of 81 yes to 21 no; that a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to interview the owner of the land and report at next annual Town Meeting. Arthur C. Widger, Benjamin G. Ingalls, and Milton D. Porter, Committee.

ART. 41. Voted, to adopt the Committee's report.

ART. 42. Voted, to allow the Saturday half holiday, May to October inclusive, to the Town employees and under the same working conditions as have heretofore obtained.

ART. 44. Voted, to accept and adopt the Committee's recommendations on this Article.

Voted, that when we adjourn it be to Thursday, April 20, 1911, at 7.45 P. M.

ART. 46. Voted unanimously to adopt the Committee's report upon this Article.

Voted, to take up Section 13 of Chapter 6 of Article 13.

Voted, at 10.15 P. M. to adjourn having appropriated \$5,200 over the estimate of the Ways and Means Committee.

Attest :

MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

### **Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, April 20, 1911.**

Called to order by the Moderator at 7.45 P. M.

Records of previous meeting read and declared approved.

Section 13 of Chapter 6 of the By-Laws being before the Meeting.

Mr. Humphrey moved its adoption, Mr. Maxfield moved to amend the Section by striking out the word November, and inserting December, which was carried, when Sect. 13, of Chapter 6 of the By-Laws as printed in the Warrant. and thus amended, was accepted and adopted.

Voted, to hear the report of the committee appointed at a previous meeting to investigate and report upon Auto Chemical.

### **Report of Committee on Auto Chemical.**

#### *To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

At the last meeting this Committee was appointed to investigate the various types of auto chemicals manufactured, more particularly with regard to the type of auto chemical best adapted for use in Swampscott.

Briefly, we have investigated the LaFrance, Knox and Pope Hartford auto chemicals, these cars being all used in at least twenty towns and cities in Massachusetts, namely, Brookline, Malden, Lynn, Manchester, Haverhill, Belmont, Newton, Melrose, Nahant, Lowell, Arlington, Boston, Westfield, Brockton, Fall River, Somerville, Worcester, Mansfield and Webster.

Portions of our Committee have visited the factories of the LaFrance Company, at Elmira, New York, the Pope Hartford factory at Hartford, Connecticut, and an invitation is at hand asking us to visit the Knox factory at Springfield next Thursday, April 20th.

As a result of our investigations thus far we find that an auto chemical carrying two chemical tanks, each having a capacity of 35 gallons, two lines of chemical hose, each 150 feet long, and a body capable of carrying 1,000 feet of 2½ inch water hose, would be best adapted for the use of the Town of Swampscott.

We recommend the purchase of a car of this type, and further recommend, as provided in Article 47 of the Town Warrant, that the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue bonds for an amount not to exceed six thousand dollars, to be known as Town of Swampscott Fire Department Bonds, 1911, dated, during the current year for one thousand dollars each, or necessary fractional part thereof, maturing one each year until paid, with interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum payable semi-annually. All other

conditions relative to issue of bonds to be as specified under Article 47 of the report of the Committee on Ways and Means, dated Swampscott, April 13, 1911.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,  
GEORGE P. CAHOON,  
FRANK L. CHAPMAN,  
FRANK N. BESSOM.

SWAMPSCOTT, April 17, 1911.

Voted, unanimously, that the report be accepted and adopted, and that the sum of six thousand dollars be appropriated as recommended.

Mr. Underwood of the committee appointed to consider and report upon Article of the Warrant of November 1, 1910, in reference to an Inspector of Buildings and Wires, read and submitted the following report :

**Report of the Committee Appointed Under Article 13 of  
the Warrant for the Town Meeting of  
November, 1, 1910.**

Your Committee respectfully reports as follows :

This committee was appointed to study the duties that devolve upon an inspector of buildings and an inspector of wires, investigate the needs of such a department for this Town, the cost of same and report in detail with their recommendations.

With the ground thus mapped out for it the committee has investigated the practice of other towns and cities, has studied local conditions and has carefully examined the law. To study this question it is obviously necessary to consider two things :—

First, what are the local conditions and second, how are the local conditions already provided for.

With reference to the first, our study has consisted largely of comparison with conditions in other towns, aided, of course, by our personal knowledge of those conditions, supplemented by information received from public officials in those towns. For example, we have been in communication with fourteen towns in Massachusetts, principally in Essex, Suffolk and Middlesex counties, which in our opinion most closely resemble Swampscott in the matter of building conditions. Of these fourteen only four have building inspectors or any special building regulations, and three of the four pay the building inspector a salary ranging from \$50 to \$950. The town of Stoneham pays the building inspector \$50, the town of Saugus \$150 and the town of Winthrop \$950. The experience of the town of Saugus has been very unsatisfactory. The reason for so large a salary paid by the town of Winthrop is not at first apparent but perhaps is explainable upon the ground that the building inspector is also the plumber and wire inspector and the one salary covers his duties in the three departments. It is well to keep in mind, however, that conditions in Winthrop are not of much aid in studying conditions here, because in Winthrop there are many congested districts in which the buildings are mostly large tenement or apartment houses. Coming back to conditions in Swampscott, we find no congested districts, no large manufacturing plants, no large, cheap tenement houses, and in fact, no conditions that are likely to require other supervision than is already provided by law. Swampscott is essentially a town of homes. Our manufacturing establishments are so few as to require no attention in this connection. Our public buildings are all subject to State inspection. So far, therefore, as local conditions are concerned, either in or of themselves, or by comparison with similar conditions in other towns, it is our conclusion that no building inspector is needed.

Taking up the second natural division of this subject, namely, how are local conditions at present provided for, we find that the Statutes of this state give the towns and cities the services of



the Inspection Department of the State District Police and that the inspectors of this department are subject to the call of the officers or citizens of any town to inspect public buildings, public places of assemblage, places of public resort, factory buildings, work shops, mercantile establishments, hotels, apartment houses, lodging and tenement houses, etc.

The Statutes also provide that it is the duty of the District Police to inspect factory and public buildings whether called upon or not. There is a further provision requiring that copies of the plans of public buildings, and all buildings just mentioned, excepting apartment, boarding, lodging and tenement houses containing less than ten rooms above the the second story, shall be deposited with the inspector of the state police before they may be erected.

With reference to the prevention of fires in hotels and lodging houses, the law already provides that the Selectmen of towns may make regulations therefor. Upon the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department there is imposed the duty to annually, in May, inspect every room of every hotel and lodging house of ten or more rooms above the second story to see that the laws relative to the prevention of fires and the saving of life are complied with. Selectmen of a town may call upon the Inspection Department of the District Police to inspect any building or other structure which has been represented to be unsafe or dangerous to life or limb.

It is evident from the foregoing that local conditions are already amply provided for under all ordinary circumstances and your committee is of the opinion that there are no conditions existing in this Town and no change of conditions reasonably to be expected that now require or will in the near future require the services of a building inspector.

In the event that the voters of the Town disagree with your committee and decide that an inspector of buildings is necessary, we advise you that the inspector must be some person already an officer of the Town. In other words, that the duties of an inspector of buildings would simply devolve upon such officer of the Town as the Selectmen may designate.



Before an inspector can be legally appointed, the Revised Laws of the Commonwealth applying to this matter must be accepted by the Town. For the duties that devolve upon an inspector of buildings we need do no more than quote Revised Laws, Chapter 104, sections 1 and 4. These sections are in substance as follows :—

Every Town which accepts the provisions of this section may, for the prevention of fire and preservation of life, make by-laws regulating the inspection, material, construction, alteration and use of buildings and other structures within its limits, and the superintendent of public buildings, or such other officer as the Selectmen of said Town may designate, shall be inspector of buildings and immediately upon being informed by report or otherwise that a building or other structure or anything attached to or connected therewith, in said city or town, is unsafe or dangerous to life or limb, shall inspect the same and if it appears to him to be dangerous, he shall forthwith in writing notify the owner, agent or any person having an interest therein to remove it or make it safe and secure.

For all services required of such an officer under conditions in this Town, we are of the opinion that a salary of fifty(50) dollars a year is ample, this, of course, to be in addition to the regular salary already paid the officer designated by the Selectmen to perform the duties of building inspector, and in our opinion would need to be fixed by vote of the Town.

There remains to be considered the subject of the need of an inspector of wires. In this, as in other subjects, local conditions must largely govern our decision. These conditions render Swampscott singularly free from the dangers arising from the careless installation of electric wiring. Revised Laws, chapter 122, section 18, provides that a town may at an annual town meeting, instruct the Selectmen to appoint an inspector of wires and sets forth in detail his duties. The very character of the duties enumerated in the statutes discloses the purpose of the law and the object which its framers must have had in mind, namely, to protect life and property in those localities in which numerous high voltage wires create dangers to be guarded

against. Such dangers as the law contemplates would seem to be found in congested manufacturing and industrial districts street railway centers and the like and not in a locality of the character of ours. A very thorough inquiry prosecuted by each member of your committee has failed to disclose any reason for or any sentiment in favor of the creation of such an office and the consequent expense to the town. We, therefore, recommend that no action be taken in this matter for the present.

In the event that the voters of the Town disagree with us, we would suggest the futility of the appointment of any but a practical electrician under a salary of not more than fifty (50) dollars a year, to be fixed by the voters. We are satisfied that this salary would fully compensate an inspector for all the services that conditions at this time will require.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES T. JACKSON,  
EDWARD S. UNDERWOOD.

Voted, To accept and adopt the report and tender a vote of thanks to the committee.

ART. 47. Voted, unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee on Article 47.

Mr. A. W. Stubbs of the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and schoolhouses read and submitted the following report which was accepted.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Your Schoolhouse Committee received its last definite instructions at the adjourned Town Meeting on November 2, 1910. At that time a motion by Martin E. Nies, which was briefly that the report of the Committee on Schoolhouse and Schoolhouse Sites be accepted and adopted, that the Board of Selectmen be instructed to proceed in making a taking of the site recommended (site three) and that the committee procure plans and estimates both for an eight and sixteen-room school building and report at the next Town Meeting, was passed.

Based upon the presumption that a future Town Meeting would ratify the action of this meeting your committee proceeded to secure plans and estimates for an eight and sixteen-room building for the Kehoe lot. Your committee, however, had proceeded no further than to invite a preliminary competition among architects, whose plans had been filed for the inspection of your committee, when the entire question was removed from the possibility of definite action by the report of the Ways and Means Committee at the special Town Meeting on December 28. The adoption of its recommendation to refer the matter to the next regular Town Meeting in March postponed any further efforts on the part of your Committee to adequately and properly meet the obligations which you had imposed upon it. Without a well defined idea as to size and locality of lot an intelligent treatment of the subject would hardly be expected.

Since the Town decided upon site one, the present Redington Street lot, too little time has elapsed to secure and submit plans of a nature suitable for this particular location. It is the opinion of your Committee, however, that the lot in question is too limited in area for the erection of a sixteen-room building which your Committee recommended in the belief that it would best serve the interests of the schools. With regard to the costs of construction your Committee has secured figures from competent authority, based upon first class construction, and submits them as follows:

Eight-room building without audience hall . . .	\$54,000
Twelve-room building with hall seating 400 . . .	93,000
Sixteen-room building with hall seating 600 . . .	119,000

If it is the desire of the Town that this Committee should serve you further it awaits your instructions.

S. PERRY CONGDON  
 A. W. STUBBS  
 J. HENRY WELCH  
 C. P. JEFFERS  
 JOHN FERNALD  
 CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY  
 EDWARD H. KITFIELD

Voted, to take up Article 43 in connection with the report. James T. Lyons moved that the present Committee on School-houses and sites be requested to present plans and estimates for a twelve room school building for the Redington street lot, and that the Selectmen call a Town Meeting to hear their report as soon as possible.

Mr. Welch of the Committee, stating to the meeting that the Committee should be provided with funds with which to proceed with their investigations, and in procuring plans and estimates.

J. F. Keefe moved to amend that \$1,000 be appropriated and placed at the disposal of the Committee for above purpose, the matter of the amendment was referred to the Ways and Means Committee, who, having considered it, recommended the appropriation of \$1,000 for the use of the Schoolhouse Committee in procuring plans and estimates for a twelve room school building.

The amendment of Mr. Keefe was carried.

The motion of Mr. Lyons as thus amended was then put and carried.

Mr. Ford, Superintendent of Schools, being invited to speak upon the school question, made some practical remarks upon the prospective requirements of the Town in this connection, and was extended a vote of thanks by the meeting.

Voted, to extend a vote of thanks to the Ways and Means Committee for the very able and careful manner in which they have considered the business which has been placed before them.

Mr. Sprague, from the Committee appointed at the last Annual Meeting to consider the subject of increased accommodations for the Public Library asked the Moderator to report progress to the meeting, with request that the Committee be allowed further time.

Voted, to accept the report, and extend the time in which the Committee may report, to next annual Town Meeting.

ARTS. 29 and 30. The Street Light Committee having submitted an oral report upon those Articles, it was voted to adopt

Articles 29 and 30 of the Warrant, and that the matter be left in the hands of the Street Light Committee.

The Moderator not having had time to carry out the requirements of Article 26, under the revised By-Laws, it was

Voted, that further time be granted.

Voted, at 9.35 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

June 1, 1911. The following were appointed by the Moderator as a Committee on Ways and Means for the current year : Leon L. Dennis, George D. R. Durkee, Edward N. Carpenter, Louis A. Wyman, Elgar H. Townsend, John Albree.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

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### Special Town Meeting, June 21, 1911.

#### TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in said County,* **GREETING :**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Wednesday, the twenty-first day of June, current, at eight o'clock in the P. M., then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

ART. 1. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the petitions for curbstones and granolithic walks now on file with the Board of Selectmen and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary of the janitor of the Town Hall and make appropriations therefor, as petitioned for by Oscar G. Poor and others.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars for the purchase of an equipment for the collecting of ashes and rubbish and maintaining same for the remainder of the current year, as petitioned for by Loring Grimes and others.

ART. 4. To hear the report of the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and Schoolhouses and act thereon.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will vote to build a twelve room Schoolbuilding on land on Redington street known as Site No. 1; adopt plans for the same; make appropriations for same and for the payment for land heretofore taken by the Town for purposes of a public school.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will reconsider the vote taken at its last meeting in taking Site No. 1 for schoolhouse purposes and now vote to take in fee the Kehoe, Delano and DeLory properties on Redington street and Mapledale place for schoolhouse purposes and release any real estate which may have been taken by the Selectmen under the previous vote, as petitioned for by Michael McDonough and others.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will vote to lay granolithic sidewalks on Atlantic avenue from the residence of Mr. John H. Cross easterly to and including the residence of Mr. A. W. Preston and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Michael McDonough and others.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the construction of sheds for the Highway Department, as recommended by the Surveyor of Highways.



ART. 9. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Office and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifth day of June in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON.

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy, attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Post Offices, Depots, and three other public and conspicuous places in Swampscott, on Wednesday, June 7, 1911. The posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*



Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock P. M. by the Moderator.

Warrant and return thereon read by the Clerk.

Mr. Townsend, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, read and submitted the following report upon the Articles in the Warrant, which was accepted by the meeting and acted upon severally.

SWAMPSCOTT, June 21, 1911.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

The Committee on Ways and Means herewith submits the report on the Town Warrant dated June 5, 1911.

#### **Article 1, Sidewalks and Curbstones.**

This is a proposition for granolithic sidewalks and for curbstones for which there is no money available. The appropriation at the Annual Meeting in March, \$2,000, will be required for contracts now in force. It should be understood that one-half of the amounts appropriated under the "Continuous Sidewalk Act" are returned to the Town Treasury through the assessments on the abutters. Formerly the amounts so returned could be expended for further construction of the same character, but under the recently enacted legislation, all sums reverting to the Town go into the general cash balance in the Treasury, and therefore an increase in the amount of the appropriation is necessary.

By a vote at the March meeting a further change was made in the matter of payment for sidewalk construction, as the Town agreed to pay for one-half of the cost of granolithic walk. Formerly where such walk was laid the Town paid only such an amount as would pay for one-half the cost of tar walk in the same location. The result is that a dollar of the Town's money under the new arrangement pays for a much less surface of sidewalk than under the old arrangement, for the quality is better and more costly, and larger amounts must be appropriated.

There have been filed with the Selectmen petitions for new work, both sidewalks and curbstones, to cost approximately \$5,000. Under the act the decision as to what work is to be done rests with the Selectmen, and as they deem that most of the work petitioned for is needed and should be built, we recommend that \$5,000 be appropriated for the construction of sidewalks and curbstones as the Selectmen shall deem public convenience requires.

#### **Article 2, Salary of the Janitor of the Town Hall.**

The janitor of the Town Hall is not elected by the citizens but is appointed by the Selectmen, and they also determine the length of his service as well as the amount of compensation paid to him. This amount they include in their estimate submitted to the Annual Town Meeting in March, and it becomes one of the elements on which is based the amount of the appropriation for the Town Hall Department for the year. The Committee believe that any action on the subject matter of this petition belongs to the Selectmen, and there is no question that they are fully competent to perform their duty.

We recommend that the matter of the compensation of the janitor of the Town Hall be referred to the Selectmen for such action as they deem best.

#### **Article 3, Collection of Ashes, etc.**

The Board of Health has a contract with an individual to collect "ashes, paper and rubbish" for a term of three years at \$1,100 a year, the contract being dated in January, last. The Board is finding that complaints and disputes occur, and as a remedy it is proposed that the Town through the Board of Health undertake the work.

If the Town adopts this proposition, horses, wagons and the needed equipment must be bought, stable and storage room provided and the many details arranged, all of which would be required for the complete establishment. The initial cost would be not less than \$3,000.

The cost of maintenance which would be large, and the annual charges for depreciation and renewal in addition would make the conducting of the business by the Town expensive, much more so than the same service would cost, if performed by private parties, that is, basing a judgment on the tenders for such service received six months ago.

It is believed that further efforts on the part of the Board of Health will bring about better conditions and less complaint, and as the members of the Board are willing to try for a rearrangement, we recommend that action on this Article be indefinitely postponed.

#### **Article 4, As to Report of Schoolhouse Committee.**

The proposition as it comes to your Committee on Ways and Means, is to make recommendations on the report of the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and Schoolhouses, which has already been submitted to us together with the plans therein recommended for adoption by the Town. These plans we as a Committee on Ways and Means must consider as they are, without any suggestion of amendment or alteration. That work falls within the scope of the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites, and this Committee on Ways and Means has to consider the report and recommendations of that Committee as they affect the finances of the Town. And still there is in this matter one relation which is paramount even to the relations of the plan to the finances of the Town, and that is, its bearing on the welfare of the child. Unless the well being of the child is safeguarded, it would be a wrong to spend the Town's money and increase the large burden of Town debt, already outstanding.

Having thus stated the view taken by the Committee on Ways and Means as to the limitations of their investigation, we submit for your consideration our comments on the plans and our conclusions on which are based our recommendations.

#### **Light for the School Rooms.**

One of the first matters to which attention is directed in considering plans for a school, and in fact, any building where the

use of the eyes is a factor is the lighting of the rooms. Is the light direct or reflected from a wall or other structure in the neighborhood? Does it come from one direction or are there cross lights? If the light is of good quality and sufficient quantity, is there reason to think that it will be permanent, or will structures be erected on adjacent land the effect of which will be to lessen it or to shut it off? Or, is the light within our own control or are we dependent upon the good will or the inaction of our neighbors for it?

If we examine these plans with these points in mind, we find first that the rooms on the northeast end have windows on one side only and this is in accordance with the well recognized rule that the light should come over the left shoulder and cross lights be avoided. But it appears that these windows are within ten feet of the party line of the lot. That means that the scholars must get their light from the land of the neighbors, and over this the Town has no control, as it has no rights in the premises.

But suppose that conditions as they now exist are to continue, what is the character of this light from our neighbor's land? Eighteen feet from the party line and twenty-eight feet from the school is the Methodist Church, the eaves of which are thirty-one feet high, which happens to be about the height of the top of the windows of the second story of the school as planned. The light therefore that will be received by these rooms will be largely reflected light from the wall of the church. If the church wall should be painted white, the light will be glaring, and if painted dark, then on cloudy days artificial illumination must be used.

Again, at the southwest end, the wall is 27 feet from the party line. It is not improbable that if it is established that this land is to be used for a schoolhouse and the ground kept open, a building may be erected along this line replacing the present frame structure, running to Humphrey street. It would probably be at least a three story building with a wall on the schoolhouse yard 36 feet high. The result of such a wall would be that for two thirds of the year that portion of the school yard would be in shadow at noon, and for a considerable part of the school

year the direct sunlight would be shut out from the two rooms on the lower floor. The shadows on any dates can be demonstrated with exactness. The general proposition is stated at this time, as it seems sufficiently convincing.

Still again, the windows of the auditorium are but five feet from the northwest line. It does not seem needful to go further than make the statement of this fact.

These comments on the lack of proper light apply with greater force to the basement rooms planned for manual training and domestic science.

In short and in conclusion, the light on three sides is not such as it should be, considering the purposes of the building and its permanence as well as the large amount of money required for its construction.

#### Playground Space.

As to the playground and its area. The designing and the building of schoolhouses are problems no longer left to be worked out in each town and city according to the knowledge, or lack of it, in the particular locality. Such work has become a science, and as such there are well defined rules which are the result of experience, and these rules being generally accepted, are followed, as in any science. One of the subjects that has been closely investigated, and the results tabulated, both in this country and in Europe, is the amount of playground space that each child requires. The reason is evident, for where land is dollars a foot, it becomes a costly matter to buy more than is needed and if less is bought than the welfare of the child calls for, the disastrous effects of overcrowding follow. The minimum standard in this country is 30 square feet per child. In Boston the price of land is so high that this standard is there reduced to but 25 square feet per child. But in these plans under consideration the allowance is still further reduced, for there is a deficiency of about 3,000 square feet in the playground area, that is, the allowance is about 19 square feet per child, two-thirds of the amount everywhere recognized, except in Boston, as the minimum. More land can be taken for light and



air, if the Town so determines, but that is not a matter for present consideration by this Committee on Ways and Means.

#### **Relief of Congestion in the Schools.**

It has already been said that the designing of schoolhouses is a science. It follows therefore that there should have come into use some terms that express in short form problems which are recognized. To one of such problem is given the term "distribution of the children." To state at length the problem thus concisely expressed, we find that one difficulty in the conducting of schools is the arranging of classes and the grades so that each child shall have as much individual attention as is possible. The teacher must have no more scholars than she can properly care for, and on the other hand, she must be assigned her full quota. If she has more than she ought to have, and some teacher in another part of the Town has less, then the children are not rightly distributed, and a redistribution must be made. In a growing community this is a constant problem, and requires constant watchfulness so that the children shall be properly cared for and crowding avoided.

The gravity of this problem in Swampscott can best be appreciated in a consideration of the statement that the Town is growing in its school population at the rate of a room and a half a year. Now these additional children must be provided for each year, and at the same time the welfare of those already in the schools assured.

The School Committee tell us that by the time this building can be built a year hence, they will have children enough to fill it, the ninth grade now in the High School being transferred to the new school. The result will then be that the Town schools will be as congested as now and about \$100,000 will have been spent.

#### **Recommendation.**

In view of these vital defects of lack of light and of playground space as well as the failure to provide for material relief of the congested condition we recommend that these plans be rejected for this site.

Since the foregoing part of our report was adopted and written, the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites has made a supplementary report accompanied with a ground plan and an elevation designed to meet certain objections. But it is evident from the report that to neither the architects nor the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites do these plans commend themselves as satisfactory. Under such circumstances the Committee on Ways and Means recommend that the supplementary plans be rejected by the Town.

**Article 5, Building a School and Making Appropriation Therefor.**

The proposition involved in this article is but one phase of the board question of schoolhouse sites and the purposes of their selection and use which the Committee on Ways and Means has had to consider. The result of this prolonged consideration, and on this all the members of the Committee are of one mind and united in their belief, is that Site No. 1 is not adapted for a large school building of any type, and that a site can be selected that is better.

We have come to realize that there is a feeling among the citizens of the Town that Site No. 2 ought to be passed upon as an alternative; at least that an opportunity should be afforded for a formal expression of opinion.

We therefore recommend:

First: That the Town indefinitely postpone action on Article 5.

Second: That the Selectmen be requested to call a special Town Meeting at once at which the Town shall vote by Australian ballot on the question: Shall the Town take Site No. 2 for schoolhouse purposes?

**Article 6, As to Reconsidering the Vote on Site No. 1.**

This Article requires a report from the Committee on Ways and Means as an appropriation is involved. Under the advice of the Town Counsel, however, there is but one recommendation that we can make regarding it.



The Article contains three propositions, the first of which is that a vote be reconsidered. On this point the Counsel explains that as vested rights of third parties are affected, such action would not be in order.

The second proposition is as to a taking of the Kehoe, Delory and Delano lots; but this is so much a part of the rest of the Article that any action taken thereon looking to a taking would be questionable.

The third proposition as to the release of real estate already taken does not follow the form which is clearly and exactly set forth in the Statutes of the Commonwealth, so that if action were taken, it too might be regarded as questionable.

In view therefore, of this analysis by the Town Counsel, we recommend that action on this Article be indefinitely postponed.

#### **Article 7, Sidewalks on Atlantic Avenue.**

If this Article were adopted, a large appropriation would be required, as there is nearly half a mile in the amount of sidewalk petitioned for.

The petition is not signed by any one residing on Atlantic Avenue along the line of the proposed construction. Furthermore we have not been able to obtain at any of our meetings the presence and co-operation of the first signer, so that the views of the petitioners might be learned and the circumstances explained.

We do learn however, that with the exception of one stretch in front of some vacant land which might be repaired, there is not such a condition as so warrant a special appropriation. We recommend therefore that this article be indefinitely postponed.

#### **Article 8, Shed for Highway Department.**

The proposition is that at the northerly end of the shed now on the Town land at the crusher on Paradise Road there be built an extension which shall consist of a shed for the storage of dry sand for icy sidewalks and also a roof under which wagons may be placed and be protected from the weather.

The shed erected some time ago is now used as a stable for the horses bought by the Town in the spring.

As the need for such a shed as petitioned for is evident, we recommend that the sum of \$550 be appropriated for the construction of sheds on the Town land on Paradise Road.

**Article 9. As to the Issuing of Bonds.**

We recommend that the following be fixed as the particulars of the bonds to be issued by the Town under the vote taken at this meeting under Article 1 appropriating \$5,000 for sidewalks and curbstones :

There shall be five bonds of \$1,000 each, dated during the current year, maturing one each year for five years. The bonds shall bear the Town seal, be signed by the Town Treasurer, and countersigned by the Board of Selectmen and shall be authenticated by some Bank or Trust Company, and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed four per cent per annum. They shall be subject to registration, at holder's option, on presentation to the Town Treasurer for cancellation of the coupons and appropriate endorsement. The principal and interest shall be payable at the Town Treasurer's office, or at such Boston Trust Company or Bank as the Town Treasurer or Selectmen designate. They shall be called "Town of Swampscott Sidewalk Bonds, 1911." All other particulars as to the form, issuance and sale of such bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen, but the bonds shall not be sold at less than par and interest.

ELGAR H. TOWNSEND,  
LEON L. DENNIS,  
EDWARD N. CARPENTER,  
GEORGE D. R. DURKEE,  
JOHN ALBREE.

ART. I. Voted unanimously to adopt the Committee's report on this Article.

ART. 2. Voted, To adopt the Committee's report upon Article 2.

ART. 3. Voted, To adopt the Committee's report upon this Article.

ART. 4. Mr. A. W. Stubbs from the Schoolhouse and School Site Committee read and submitted the following report, which was accepted.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Acting in accordance with your instructions at the adjourned regular Town Meeting in April your Committee has secured plans for a twelve-room school building to be located on the present Redington street lot. In order to obtain such conditions as would tend to facilitate obtaining the best and most satisfactory results your committee secured the services of R. Clipson Sturgis, a recognized authority on school buildings, as its consulting architect. Probably no other architect in the United States ranks higher than Mr. Sturgis in this particular branch of architecture. With the assistance of Mr. Sturgis your Committee proceeded to prepare invitations for a competitive examination of architects as to their qualifications to design a twelve-room building for the Town of Swampscott.

Each of the architects invited to participate was required to give his education and experience, to name the important buildings he had designed in the past five years, to provide a set of working drawings of one of these buildings for inspection, to submit specimens of office forms and finally a basement and ground floor plan of a school building for Swampscott. Upon the relative showing of the candidates was to be determined later the architect to submit a full set of plans for a twelve-room school building for the Redington street lot.

The architects to accept invitations to compete were Newhall & Blevins, Killam & Hopkins, Adnam & Parker, Brainard & Leeds, Peare & Quiner, Charles R. Greco and Charles V.

Burgess. All except Mr. Burgess, who is a Swampscott resident, are Boston men and all have had large experience in the designing of school buildings.

Having received the material upon which the examination was to be based your Committee met with Mr. Sturgis and with his assistance proceeded to mark the candidates upon a percentage basis. A majority of the Committee gave to Brainard & Leeds the highest rating and to this firm of architects was given the final invitation to design a set of plans for the approval of the citizens of the Town of Swampscott.

Both members of the firm came to Swampscott and met with the committee. They were given instructions as to the needs of the proposed building and we have before us the result of their work and such changes in detail as were made at the suggestion of Mr. Sturgis. The drawings provide for a thoroughly modern school building of the most approved type. Twelve class rooms, an assembly hall capable of seating nearly 400 persons, manual training and domestic science rooms in the basement, principal's, teachers' and superintendent's rooms are its important features.

Your committee, Mr. Sturgis and the architects carefully examined the lot and every effort was made to secure such plans as would utilize to the fullest advantage every favorable condition. The plans provide for a two-story building, a style now being generally adopted in every progressive community and given the indorsement of the highest educational authorities. We believe that a building of this character will add prestige to the Town and provide for less progressive communities an example of what may be done to forward the educational interests of the younger generation. The architects' plans provide for construction as follows:

Exterior—Water struck brick with stone trimmings.

Structural floors and stairways—Reinforced concrete.

Basement floors—Granolithic.

Corridor and toilet room floors—Terazzo.

Office and class room floors—Wood.

Basement walls—Brick.

Interior partitions—Wood studs plastered on metal lath. Partitions around stairs to be filled with concrete.

The plans provide for a building containing 398,346 cubic feet of area. As this is a building of so-called first-class construction Mr. Sturgis recommends an allowance of 20 cents a cubic foot or \$80,000 for the building. Fees and contingencies are estimated at \$6,400 and furnishings at \$5,000. This makes a total of \$91,400 which may be reduced about \$3,400 in using a portion of second class construction. This is considered as a maximum estimate.

Your Committee believes it has performed the duty imposed upon it and recommends for your adoption the set of plans which it has obtained and such action as is necessary to provide an appropriation with which to pursue the work. Thanking the citizens for their consideration your Committee awaits further instruction.

S. PERRY CONGDON, *Chairman*.  
A. W. STUBBS,  
J. HENRY WELCH,  
CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
EDWARD H. KITFIELD,  
CHARLES P. JEFFERS.

#### Supplementary.

Since making the foregoing report your committee deemed it to be advisable to submit to the Town for its inspection a study for a three story twelve-room building. While your committee is unanimously in favor of a two story building for school purposes it realizes that the location selected is not altogether suitable for a two story building. The limited area and light obstructions are decidedly a disadvantage though architects have exhibited their skill in designing a building which reduces to the minimum these objections. A three story building necessarily places a number of class rooms on the third story, a condition that is not indorsed by educational authorities when it can be avoided. On the other hand such a building on the present



Redington street lot will allow of a larger playground area, result in better light and enable the use of the old building during the construction of a new one. The study as prepared by Brainard & Leeds has been indorsed by the consulting architect who pronounces it a very clever makeshift. The architects have succeeded in arranging for an Assembly Hall on the ground floor and in their presentation of the sketches they say that they "believe that the three story arrangement has enough advantages in lighting and playground to make it more desirable for this particular site" than a two story building. Such a building would allow for the addition of three rooms in the future. This building would contain 380,000 cubic feet which at Mr. Sturgis' maximum estimate of 20 cents a cubic foot would cost \$76,000 or about \$4,000 less than the two story plan. The fees and fittings would approximate the same, \$11,400, bringing the total cost to \$87,400.

S. PERRY CONGDON, *Chairman*.

A. W. STUBBS,

J. HENRY WELCH,

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,

EDWARD H. KITFIELD,

CHARLES P. JEFFERS.

Voted, to take up Article 5 in connection with Article 4.

Voted, to receive the reports of the Ways and Means Committee upon Article 4 and 5, and that the matter of Article 4 be re-committed to the Committee on Schoolhouse and Schoolhouse Sites.

ART. 5. Voted, to adopt the Committee's Report and recommendations upon Article 5.

ART. 6. Voted, unanimously to adopt the Committee's recommendations on this Article.

ART. 7. Voted, unanimously to adopt the Committee's recommendations on this Article.

ART. 8. Voted, unanimously to adopt the Committee's recommendations on this Article.

ART. 9. Voted, unanimously to adopt the Committee's recommendations on this Article.

Voted, at 9.25 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER, *Town Clerk.*

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**Special Town Meeting, July 11, 1911.**

**TOWN WARRANT.**

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County, GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of July, nineteen hundred and eleven, at four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ART. 1. To see if the Town will vote to take in fee, for the purpose of erecting thereon a building to be used for a public school, the following described parcels of land, viz :

Three certain parcels of land owned now or formerly by Benjamin A. Martin, Nancy J. Delano and Annjeanette Wiley and Gilbert Delano, bounded and described as follows :



FIRST: Southerly by Redington street seventy-one and 30-100 feet: easterly by land of Delano and Wiley one hundred fifty-three and 9-100 feet: northerly by land of Chick seventy-one feet; westerly by land of Boyle and land of the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Swampscott, one hundred fifty-two and 52-100 feet.

SECOND: Southerly by Redington street one hundred forty-four and 38-100 feet; easterly by Stone court eighty-eight and 65-100 feet; northerly by land of Delano seventy-seven and 35-100 feet; again easterly by land of Delano sixty-five and 31-100 feet; again northerly by land of Swampscott Hall Association, land of Proctor and land of Chick sixty-seven and 23-100 feet, westerly by land of Martin one hundred fifty-three and 9-100 feet.

THIRD: Easterly by Stone court sixty-five and 39-100 feet; northerly by land of Kitfield and Swampscott Hall Association seventy-seven and 81-100 feet; westerly by land of Delano and Wiley sixty-five and 31-100 feet; southerly by land of Delano and Wiley seventy-seven and 35-100 feet; be all said measurements more or less.

Intending by said description to include all that land lying between Redington street on the South, Stone court on the East, land of Kitfield, Swampscott Hall Association and Proctor and Chick on the North and Boyle and the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Swampscott on the West.

Said Article to be voted by ballot as directed by Town Meeting of June 21, A. D. 1911.

Polls to be closed at nine o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this thirtieth day of June, in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of the Town of Swampscott, by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Post Offices, Depots, and three other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Saturday, the first day of July, nineteen hundred and eleven, the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*

Meeting called to order at 4 o'clock P. M. by the Moderator.

The Warrant calling the meeting and return thereon read by the Clerk.

The Clerk had prepared ballots as voted at the previous meeting, reading as follows:—Shall the Town of Swampscott take Site No. 2 for schoolhouse purposes?

Arthur C. Widger was sworn as ballot clerk.

The polls closed at 9 P. M. A. C. Widger, and Willis C. Paul were appointed by the Moderator as tellers, and qualified by the Clerk. Whole number of ballots cast, 242,

At 9.30 P. M. the following result of balloting was declared :  
Yes, 62 ; No, 180.

Voted, at 9.35 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

### **Special Town Meeting July 12, 1911.**

#### **TOWN WARRANT.**

ESSEX SS.

*To the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in said County,  
or either of them,* **GREETING :**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Wednesday, the twelfth day of July, nineteen hundred and eleven, at eight o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz : —

**ARTICLE 1.** To consider the report of the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and schoolhouses, and act thereon.

**ART. 2.** To see if the Town will vote to build a school building upon land heretofore taken for this purpose, or elsewhere, and make appropriation or appropriations therefor.

**ART. 3.** To appropriate and raise, by borrowing or otherwise, such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this thirtieth day of June, in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy, attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott, by posting attested copies of said Warrant, at the Town Hall, Post Offices, Depots, and three other public and conspicuous places in Swampscott, on Saturday, the first day of July, nineteen hundred and eleven; the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*

Meeting called to order at 8 P. M. by the Moderator.

Warrant, and return thereon read by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Townsend, it was

Voted, to take up all the Articles of the Warrant together.

Mr. A. W. Stubbs of the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and Schoolhouses, read and submitted the following report upon the matter which was recommitted to them at a previous meeting.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

At the last special meeting of the Town your committee submitted studies for a two and three-story twelve-room school building for the present Redington street lot. This report was recommitted to your committee pending action by the Town on lot number two. By its action on Tuesday lot number two is rejected as a possible site for the proposed new school building, and so far as your committee is concerned the matter is now in the identical position it occupied at the last special Town Meeting when it was given no instructions as to its future action. During the past year and a half your committee has worked assiduously to bring about a solution of this problem and its reports from time to time have been the result of careful thought and study with every precaution taken to promote the best interests of the children of the Town. With this in view your committee examined the three 'original possible locations and almost unanimously arrived at the conclusion that the best interests of the younger generation demanded the erection of a sixteen-room building upon the so-called Kehoe lot.

Nothing has arisen since this report to change its opinion. Better administration and economy in operation were important considerations in arriving at this conclusion. The needs of the Town in the direction of school quarters are increasing so rapidly that the complete occupancy of a sixteen room building in a very few years seemed inevitable. With the school population multiplying at the rate of at least three rooms in every two years the problem of the future did not seem to be a particularly difficult one to solve. Your committee, therefore, believed it to be for

the good of the school children and the townspeople to recommend the erection of a building sufficiently large to guarantee immunity from the subject for at least five years after completion of the proposed building.

At the present time your committee still stands instructed to present plans for a twelve room school building for the present Redington street lot. The two studies it has submitted are considered to be excellent designs for a thoroughly modern school building. If either were to be constructed during the ensuing year it would be practically filled on completion. The desirability of the present lot for a twelve room school building, or for a school building of any capacity, was not a question raised for your committee to discuss. Every effort was put forth, however, to secure for the lot a set of plans that should reduce to the minimum every disadvantage that might appear. There was no bias nor prejudice in the work of the committee. It constantly kept in mind the needs of the children and conducted its investigations with a view of securing for the town the greatest measure of school facilities for the most economical expenditure. It believed that concentration would enlarge efficiency of administration and bring to the schools of Swampscott a stimulus that would encourage both teacher and pupil to better and more thorough work. It had in mind an increase in the number of promotion periods a plan devised by leading educators to promote the interest of the child and simultaneously to decrease the cost of operating the school system. It took into intelligent consideration the distribution of the school population and based its original recommendations upon the fact that a sixteen room building could be erected within a radius of half a mile of which there is a sufficient school population to fill it. When it became the expressed desire of the Town that your committee elect a set of plans for a twelve room building upon the present lot it accepted the task cheerfully and if it continues to be your desire that such a building shall be erected on the present lot it will accept your instructions with no reservations save to secure for you and your children the best that can be obtained for the money you see fit to expend.



It should be ever present in your minds, however, that the present demands of the schools are in need of immediate attention and that much further delay must necessarily impose upon the children of the schools conditions that should not long obtain in any well regulated community. It is the interests of our children that should receive the first consideration and it is in the belief that you will act wisely and expeditiously that we invite your further instructions.

S. PERRY CONGDON,  
A. W. STUBBS,  
J. HENRY WELCH,  
CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
E. H. KITFIELD.

Voted to accept the report.

On motion of James T. Lyons, it was voted, by a rising vote of 21 Yes, to 20 No, Mr. Townsend and Mr. J. F. Keefe having been appointed as Tellers, that the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and Schoolhouses, be discharged and a new Committee be chosen. The chair being in doubt called for another rising vote, which resulted in 24 Yes, 23 No, on same motion. The chair then declared the Committee discharged. Mr. Lyons then moved that a Committee to consist of the School Committee, A. R. Bunting, E. A. Maxfield, James L. Taylor and Edmund Russell be chosen to erect a school building on Site No. 1, which was carried. Mr. Call moved the indefinite postponement of Articles 1, 2, and 3, ~~lost~~. The School Committee declining to serve, J. F. Keefe moved that the Committee have authority to fill vacancies, lost, by a rising vote of 20 Yes, 22 No. John Albree moved that an adjournment be had to tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock, which was carried.

Voted, on motion of J. F. Keefe at 9 P. M. that we do now adjourn.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

**Adjourned Special Town Meeting, July 13, 1911.**

Meeting called so order at 8 o'clock P. M., by the Moderator in accordance with previous adjournment.

Records of last meeting read and declared approved.

Mr. Townsend, Chairman of Ways and Means Committee, read and submitted their report upon Articles in the Warrant, as follows :

SWAMPSCOTT, July 12, 1911.

*To the Citizens of the Town :*

The proposition is to see if the Town will vote to build a schoolhouse.

The result of the balloting on the various sites is the selection by the Town of Site One, the lot now occupied in part by the Redington street school.

Two sets of plans for a new school building have been submitted, and your Committee on Ways and Means has given them careful consideration in order to frame a recommendation as to the Town's appropriating money to build a schoolhouse in accordance with one plan or another. It is beyond the province of this committee to consider alterations or amendments to the plans, even if such might be suggested in the course of our study of them.

In our report at the Town Meeting in June regarding the plans for a two story building, we commented at length on the lack of light, deficiency in playground area, and the failure to provide for the increase in the school population in the immediate future, features which would become facts, if a schoolhouse were built in accordance with them. If additional land were secured, some of the objections would be rendered of less force. In that report we mentioned also the supplementary plans for a three story building, but in view of the comment of the consulting architect, which was that the plans were a "clever makeshift."

they could hardly be given serious consideration as a basis for a recommendation that the Town adopt them at an expense of many thousand dollars.

In our investigations, both as a Committee and as individuals, we have come to realize that there has been an advance in educational methods, and that to secure the beneficial results, buildings specially adapted, are required. These methods, when adopted in other places, satisfactorily meet a condition that unfortunately exists in Swampscott at the present time, and that disturbs the mind of many a little fellow who through illness last winter lost six or eight weeks schooling. He now fears that he may not be promoted next fall and that he will have to repeat the entire year's work, part of which only he lost, and in consequence his classmates will enter the High School a year before he does. Teachers have long since noted that such a repetition of work lessens a boy's interest and dulls his ambition. If our school buildings were adapted to the methods generally approved by which semi-annual promotions could be made, this question as to the loss of a year's time would not continually recur.

We earnestly trust that the Town, in voting to build a school-house will consider carefully the methods by which the successful results have been attained in other cities and towns.

The building to be erected should not only be adapted for the application of these methods that permit a child to pass along through the grades as rapidly as his abilities allow, but it should also have adequate accommodations for the immediate increase in the school population.

If however the Town feels that it is better to consider a while longer before adopting methods which have proved successful in other towns, we advise that the Committee on School Houses be instructed to consider the site now selected and to prepare plans for a three story building with sufficient rooms and a hall in which on occasions all the pupils in the building may be brought together. Thus certain objections, raised on account of restricted area, will be in part overcome.

**Article 2.**

As the question of site has now been determined, we recommend 1st, that the Town build a schoolhouse on site No. 1. 2nd, that the Committee on Schoolhouses be instructed to prepare plans for a school building to be erected on this land, embodying such features as good light and playground area and sufficient room.

**Article 3.**

As to an appropriation: Until the Town has accepted and approved plans for a school building, no estimate of the cost can be obtained and no appropriation be made.

We therefore recommend that action on this article be postponed until the Town has approved plans.

ELGAR H. TOWNSEND,  
LEON L. DENNIS,  
GEORGE D. R. DURKEE,  
EDWARD N. CARPENTER,  
JOHN ALBREE.

Voted, unanimously to accept and adopt the report.

Mr. Lyons moved that vacancies on the Schoolhouse Committee be filled by the Chair, which was lost.

The Moderator, having ruled that any motion looking to the discharge of the present Schoolhouse Committee, being equivalent to a motion to reconsider, was not admissible. R. E. Bicknell appealed from the decision of the chair. The question having been put to the meeting the chair was not sustained in its ruling.

Mr. Hussey then moved that the Schoolhouse Committee be discharged, which was carried. Mr. Hussey then moved that a new Schoolhouse Committee be chosen to consist of the Schoolhouse Committee, Clarence B. Humphrey, Edward H. Kitfield, Charles P. Jeffers and John Fernald, to present plans for a schoolbuilding in accordance with the report of the Ways and

Means Committee, to be built on Site No. 1 and report at the Adjourned Meeting, which motion was carried.

Voted, that when we adjourn it be to July 27, 1911, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Voted, at 8.35 P. M. to adjourn.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,  
*Town Clerk.*

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### **Adjourned Special Town Meeting, July 27, 1911.**

Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock P. M. by the Moderator.

Records of last meeting read and declared approved

Mr. A. W. Stubbs of the Schoolhouse Committee read and submitted the following report in reference to a new school building, accompanied by plans and specifications, as instructed at the previous meeting.

#### *To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

At the special Town Meeting two weeks ago tonight your Committee was given definite instructions concerning a new school building for the Town. These instructions were embraced in the Report of the Ways and Means Committee which you accepted and adopted by a decisive vote. Your Committee has endeavored to fulfill these instructions and it is for the purpose of laying before you the results of its labors that we are gathered here tonight.

At the meeting preceding the last your Ways and Means Committee recommended the rejection of the plans then submitted upon the grounds of lack of light, deficiency in playground area and failure to provide for the increase in the school population in the immediate future. Upon these grounds the report of the Ways and Means Committee was accepted and adopted

and your Committee was without further instructions pending a vote upon the question of the acceptance or rejection of site two as a possible location for the proposed new building. The plans submitted to you at this meeting consisted of a twelve-room, two-story building and a twelve-room three-story building.

Your instructions to this committee, as embodied in the last report of the Ways and Means Committee, were explicitly stated as follows: "That the Committee on Schoolhouses be instructed to prepare plans for a three-story building with sufficient rooms and a hall in which on all occasions the pupils in the building may be brought together."

The recommendations of the Ways and Means Committee as accepted and adopted by you were none the less clear. They were:

First, that the Town build a schoolhouse on site one.

Second, that the Committee on Schoolhouses be instructed to prepare plans for a school building to be erected on this land embodying such features as good light and playground area and sufficient room.

Your committee was left in no doubt as to its duty. Having repeatedly urged the necessity of a larger than twelve room building to care for any increase in school population following the completion of the structure it was plainly an obligation of your committee to submit plans of a school building of a sufficient number of class rooms to guarantee a few years relief from the subject. Your committee, therefore, has applied itself dilligently to the task and notwithstanding the obstacles it has had to overcome, is able to meet with your desires and submits plans for a sixteen room building in which it believes all the objections of previous plans have been removed.

Though limited to a period of only two weeks in which to secure plans, your committee wasted no time and the results are before you. Every phase of the work was carefully considered by the members of the committee and every effort was made to secure the most favorable set of plans that could be obtained. Messrs. Brainerd & Leeds, the architects, developed the plans in



collaboration with your committee and every viewpoint was considered in their production. The consulting architect, Mr. R. Clipston Sturgis of Boston, a recognized authority on school-buildings, has carefully examined them and gives them his unqualified approval.

The plans provide for a three story building with a basement and Assembly Hall capable of seating approximately 500 persons. By the exercise of great economy in the matter of arrangement of rooms the building has been made sufficiently compact to give a playground area large enough to more than meet the minimum of standard requirements. The question of light was carefully entered and such provisions made as to assure its adequacy.

In the development of these plans your Committee has sought to maintain the strictest economy. It has been unanimous in the belief that a thoroughly modern, substantial and practically fire-proof building should be erected but it has been insistent that no extravagancies should enter into its construction. So well-defined has become the subject of school building that it has been able to proceed with more enlightenment than ordinarily accompanies a building project of a different nature.

Your Committee, in obtaining the services of Mr. Sturgis as an advisor, has had the advantages of drawing upon the knowledge of one of the foremost authorities on school buildings in the United States. His suggestions and recommendations have been of great value and the adoption of plans bearing his approval guarantees them to be all that they are represented and enables the Town to proceed with the assurance that it is to have the best of all the accumulated knowledge of the subject both in the matter of economy in building and in securing the highest material advances for advancing the education of our children.

Mr. Sturgis has prepared a report on the plans which your Committee submits for your approval and it is as follows:

July 20, 1911.

*Mr. A. W. Stubbs, 74 Paradise Road, Swampscott, Mass.:*

MY DEAR SIR,—I beg herewith to submit a report on plans for a sixteen-room school building proposed by Messrs. Brainerd & Leeds.

The cost per pupil is the final test of what is being paid for school buildings. A number of things affect this cost per pupil and these can be approximately analyzed so that taxpayers can decide what they want to pay for, and what may be considered unnecessary.

These elements of cost may be divided roughly into—

(1) Accommodation, that is the size of rooms for classes, administration and exercises, the size of corridors, number of stairs and exits.

(2) Equipment, the provision made for carrying on the work of the school-cooking, manual training, hall, light, bells, telephones, fire alarms.

(3) Construction, as affecting health and safety, durability and beauty.

In general the cost per pupil of a modern grammar school, built substantially and thoroughly equipped, with the best of everything under each of the three heads, has been found to be about \$160.00 per pupil. The building presented by your architects does not conform to all the standards, but comes very near being first class in every respect, is better than anything except the best Boston schools, and in the most important points is thoroughly good.

Take the three heads in order—

(1) *Accommodation.* There are sixteen class rooms, ten seat forty each and six fifty each, a total of 700. The six larger rooms serve two practical purposes. They provide, in the space under them in the basement, rooms of ample size for cooking and manual training; and also they provide on each floor rooms which will allow for a slight increase in the size of one or two grades.

The ideal arrangement for these 16 rooms would be in a two-story building with eight on a floor. It is, however, more economical to provide this same accommodation in three stories, and the lot being small, the latter more economical arrangement is advised.

You require in this building not only accommodation for principal and for teachers, but also for your Superintendent of

Schools, all this is provided. The modern school has generally also a nurse's room, and sometimes a small rest room adjacent. These are desirable but perhaps not essential.

Corridors and staircases must be of such size as will provide ready and easy exit.

Under this heading "(1) Accommodation" your architects have provided you with a plan which is up to the best standards in all respects except for the fact that the building is a three-story building instead of two.

(2) *Equipment*. Provision is made for the instruction of the children in cooking and in manual training. A hall is provided which, seating 500, is larger than is really necessary for daily exercises of the school, and is large enough for graduation exercises. The building is provided with bells and telephones to facilitate the conduct of the work of the school, and with a fire alarm, and with fire drill system of bells, which is the best protection to the lives of the children. It is also fully wired for electric light, so that the building throughout is available for evening work.

Under the second heading "equipment" we have therefore everything in this building to conform to the best modern standards.

(3) *Construction*. Construction can be divided under three heads as affecting health and safety, durability and beauty.

Under the first heading of health and safety the building proposed by your architects has corridors and staircases built and finished throughout with incombustible material, so that all exits (a matter of special importance in a three-story building) are safe. Floors, first, second and third, are also of incombustible material, and this means not only that they are not subject to fire, but that they are durable, not liable to swelling or shrinkage, nor vibration when calisthenic exercises are conducted in class rooms.

Under the second heading of durability, your architects propose common brick walls outside, and fireproof floors and corridors, floors finished with terrazzo, and stairs with similar durable material; best wood floors in the class rooms and the

hall. Wood in the class rooms so as to make it simple to fix the desks, and wood in Assembly Hall so that the floor there may be available for gymnasium exercises, and dancing. In the major trades, masonry and carpentry, everything is of the simplest and yet the best and most durable material of its kind. The same policy governs all the other trades, the best system of heating and ventilation is installed, and it is installed in the best way and of the best material; the same is true of the plumbing, all piping both wastes and soils and supplies are of the best and most durable material-heavy weight iron and brass. The fixtures are inexpensive but heavy, durable, and provided with the best method of local ventilation. Urinal and water closet partitions are of permanent material-slate and iron. All electric work is of the simplest and best material.

Beauty is a consideration not to be disregarded, and although the exterior and interior are both finished with the simplest materials there is no reason why these materials should not be used in such a way as to give a building that has architectural quality outside. It is true that the two story building contained greater architectural possibilities, that the smaller plan and the greater height make it more difficult to make the building interesting and beautiful outside, but although something is sacrificed to the exigencies of the lot and the economical plan, the building will not lack dignity, which is one of the elements of beauty. On the interior the only place where ornament is used is in the Assembly Hall, and other halls executed by your architects will give an excellent idea of what can be done here. Elsewhere the beauty of the interior will depend entirely upon the proper use of color.

Under the third heading therefor your architects are advising a building which is up to the best standards except in one respect, namely, that the partitions that divide one class room from the next are of wood construction, both these economies are in my judgment legitimate ones and do not materially injure your building.

Finally, as to the cost your architects estimate the cost of this building at \$81,000. It is needless to say that even when a building is completely drawn out and specified and contractors are

called in to give in their actual estimates as to the cost of the work, prices vary greatly. The architects estimates is based on the cubic contents of this building and the cost per cubic foot which has been found to be possible with constructions and equipment such as is proposed here. The accommodation of your building, 10 rooms rated at 40, and six at 50, is 700 pupils, dividing the \$81,000 by 700 gives a cost per pupil of less than \$120, even if your building cost \$10 per pupil more than this you would in my judgment have a very satisfactory proposition.

The question has been raised as to what economy, if any, would be possible if some of the rooms were not built at the outset. If one block of class rooms were omitted, eliminating the basement and three class rooms, a certain economy would be effected, but not in proportion to the reduced capacity of the school, nor would it be possible to build these three class rooms later at the price for which they can be built now. Unless there is a strong reason for such economy, I would therefore advise against it. Another economy is possible, and that would be to omit the construction which it is proposed to build above the assembly hall on the third floor, which gives one additional class room, and some additional smaller spaces. If this one class room were omitted it would be one of the smaller size and the accommodation of the school would simply be reduced by 40,660 pupils instead of 700 and you would lose two or more small rooms adjoining it. Your architects can undoubtedly tell you what saving could be made by this elimination and you can yourselves judge whether it is worth while saving this amount.

Very truly yours,

R. CLIPSON STURGIS.

The cubic contents of the building planned by the architects are 450,567 feet and the approximate cost is placed at \$81,102. In addition to this there would be fees and contingencies estimated at \$6,500 and the furnishings for the school estimated at \$6,000. Ready for use the estimated cost of the building, fully equipped, with all fees and contingencies paid is \$93,602.



Your Committee recommends that the plans of Brainerd & Leeds for a three-story, sixteen-room building be accepted and adopted and that the sum of \$94,000 be appropriated for the erection of the same.

S. PERRY CONGDON,  
ARTHUR W. STUBBS,  
J. HENRY WELCH,  
CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
JOHN FERNALD,  
CHARLES P. JEFFERS.

Voted to accept the report.

Mr. Townsend of the Ways and Means Committee presented the following report upon the matter before the meeting.

July 27, 1911.

*To the Citizens of the Town:*

The proposition for consideration and recommendation by the Committee on Ways and Means is contained in the conclusions embodied in the report of the Schoolhouse Committee including the report of the Consulting Architect; namely, that the plans for a schoolhouse as therein set forth be adopted, and that the Town appropriate \$88,000 for constructing the building in accordance with the plans.

Your Committee on Ways and Means believe that the plans as submitted embody the features of light, play-ground area and sufficient room which in its recommendations, accepted and adopted by the Town, were outlined as essential.

We make no recommendation at this time as to the issuing of bonds to raise the money to pay for the land, as there is no article in the warrant calling for this expenditure. This matter will have to be acted upon at a subsequent Town Meeting.

Neither do we bring to your attention the subject of an appropriation of \$6,000 for the furnishings of the new school, because the money for this purpose will not be needed until next year, and the bonds need not now be issued.



We recommend the adoption of the following votes, which, however, it will be well first to outline briefly, for the execution of the plans is somewhat complex and each step must be provided for in advance by formal action. The plans must be first formally adopted; provision must be made for clearing the land and disposing of the buildings; the Building Committee must be clothed with power to make the necessary contracts, and the vote authorizing the issue of the bonds must set forth in detail all the requirements.

Your Committee on Ways and Means therefore recommend that the Town adopt the following votes :

1st. That the Town adopt the plans and specifications presented by the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and Schoolhouses, and build a schoolhouse in accordance with said plans and specifications upon land of the Town heretofore taken for this purpose and known as Site No. 1.

2nd. That the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and Schoolhouses and the Board of Selectmen be authorized and empowered to clear the premises and dispose of the buildings now located upon the premises known as Site No. 1, in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as they may deem expedient, and for this purpose that they be authorized and empowered to sell said buildings, or any of them, at public auction or private sale, or to utilize the same or any part thereof as temporary schoolhouses or for such other purposes as they may deem expedient.

3rd. That the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and Schoolhouses be constituted a Building Committee—and hereafter to be known as School Building Committee—that said Committee shall have full charge of construction of said building with full power and authority to execute all such contracts and agreements for, in the name of, and on behalf of the Town of Swampscott, as it may deem necessary for the construction, equipment and furnishing of a schoolhouse, in accordance with the plans and specifications drawn by Brainerd & Leeds, dated July . . . 1911, and marked “Redington Street Grammar School, Swampscott, Mass.” and exhibited at this meeting.

4th. That, for the purpose of defraying the cost of said building, there be issued coupon bonds of the Town to the amount of eighty-eight thousand (\$88,000) dollars, to be dated during the current year, and each bond to be of the denomination of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars, payable in gold coin of the United States or its equivalent, numbered respectively from one to eighty-eight, bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; that the bonds numbered one, two, three, four and five be payable one year from their date, and five of the bonds for each year for seven years thereafter in their numerical order, and four of the bonds shall be payable in their numerical order each subsequent year for the period of twelve years thereafter. The principal and interest of said bonds shall be payable at the First National Bank, Boston, Massachusetts. Said bonds shall have the right of exchange for registered certificates of one thousand dollars or multiples thereof which shall bear interest at the rate of four (4) per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, both principal and interest being payable at the office of the Treasurer of the Town of Swampscott. Said bond shall be signed by the Treasurer of the Town and countersigned by the Board of Selectmen, and shall bear the seal of the Town, and each of the said bonds shall bear on its face the words: "Town of Swampscott School house Loan, 1911." Said bonds shall be sold under the direction of the Town Treasurer and the Board of Selectmen.

ELGAR H. TOWNSEND,

LEON D. DENNIS,

GEORGE D. R. DURKEE,

EDWARD N. CARPENTER.

JOHN ALBREE.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Call that the report be accepted.

Voted, Unanimously on motion of J. R. Merritt, that Section 1, of the above report be adopted.

Voted, Unanimously on motion of Mr. Hussey, that Section 2, of the report be adopted.

Voted, Unanimously as moved by Mr. Townsend, that Section 3, of the report be adopted.

Voted, Unanimously as moved by Mr. Merritt, that Section 4, of the report be adopted.

Voted, that the suggestions and recommendations of the Schoolhouse Committee, as embodied in their report, excluding those for an appropriation, be adopted.

On motion of Mr. John Albree, it was unanimously.

Resolved, that the Board of Selectmen be requested to direct that the thoroughfares for automobiles in the Town be vigilantly policed.

Voted, to extend a vote of thanks to the Ways and Means Committee for their efficient work in the matters in hand.

Voted, at 8.45 o'clock P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

SWAMPSCOTT, Aug. 1, 1911.

This certifies that Frank V. Porter has this day been appointed and duly qualified to act as Assistant Town Clerk during the remainder of the current year, in accordance with the Statute made and provided.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

**Special Town Meeting, August 17, 1911.****TOWN WARRANT.**

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County,* *GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Thursday, the seventeenth day of August, current, at eight o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To see what action the Town will take upon the proposition of Miss Harriet S. Ames to purchase certain land on Redington street, owned by the Town, consisting of the original schoolhouse lot and the land acquired from the estate of Bethuel Wiley as petitioned for by Benjamin W. Ingalls and others.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will increase the membership of the present Building Committee by adding thereto, two members from the floor, as petitioned for by Benjamin W. Ingalls and others.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will instruct the Building Committee to consider and investigate additional sites for the proposed new schoolhouse, and report with their recommendations thereon, on or before September 1, 1911, as petitioned for by Benjamin G. Ingalls and others.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will rescind the votes taken at the meeting of July 12, 1911, relating to the building of a schoolhouse on land designated in the report of the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites and Schoolhouses as Site No. 1 and the issue of bonds therefor, as petitioned for by Benjamin G. Ingalls and others.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will vote to resurface Atlantic avenue, and make appropriation therefor, as recommended by the Surveyor of Highways.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300 to cover the increase in cost of new refuse and garbage contract, as recommended by the Board of Health.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will vote to rescind, amend or modify the vote taken at the adjourned Annual Town Meeting on April 20, 1911, under Article 47, and now vote to issue bonds for the following amounts and purposes :

Fifteen hundred dollars for stone crusher.

Three thousand dollars for the construction or extension of the water works of the Town.

Eight thousand five hundred dollars for the construction of sewers, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will adopt, ratify and confirm the action of the Water and Sewerage Board, in the construction of certain sewers, as recommended by the Water and Sewer Board.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will appropriate an additional sum of money to complete the sewers under construction, as recommended by the Water and Sewer Board.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sewer in Buena Vista street from Crescent to Roy street, and appropriate money for same, as recommended by the Water and Sewer Board.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sewer in Essex street from the car barn to Beach avenue, and appropriate money for same, as recommended by the Water and Sewer Board.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sewer in Columbia street from Essex avenue to the Lynn line, and appropriate money for same, as recommended by the Water and Sewer Board.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to pay the award made by the Selectmen for the Bethuel Wiley estate, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

ART. 14. To appropriate and raise, by borrowing or otherwise, such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing Articles.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this seventh day of August in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy, attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY. *Constable.*



**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Post Offices, Depots, and three other public and conspicuous places in Swampscott, on Wednesday, August 7, 1911. The posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock P. M. by the Moderator.

Warrant and return thereon read by the Clerk.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Underwood to take up Article 4, before Article 1.

Mr. Townsend, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, read and submitted the following report upon Articles in the Warrant, together with a communication from Miss Harriett S. Ames, in which she offered to purchase from the Town the present schoolhouse property on Redington street, and the Bethuel Wiley estate at a proposed figure.

SWAMPSCOTT, August 17, 1911.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Your Committee on Ways and Means herewith submits their report on Articles I, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII and XIV, in the Warrant for the meeting to be held this day.

**Article 1.**

The proposition of Miss Ames, and the only one which is properly before this Committee, is contained in her letter of August 5, a copy of which is appended to this report. On

August 14th another proposition was filed with the Selectmen and transmitted to the Committee. Late last evening (August 16) certain other propositions were handed to the Committee; but in view of the fact that these were not submitted to the Selectmen seasonably according to the by-laws, that is, before the warrant was closed, they cannot be considered as a part of the proposition referred to in the warrant, and therefore these later propositions are not properly before the Committee for consideration. We have confined ourselves to the proposition referred to in Article 1 of the warrant. This proposition is:

First, that she will buy the present school lot on Redington street, consisting of 14,871 square feet, at fifty-five cents per square foot that is for \$8,179.

Secondly, that she will give \$4,000 for the estate of Bethuel Wiley, consisting of 4,989 square feet already taken by the Town.

And, thirdly, that she will allow the Town to use the school-house on Redington street during the coming year without expense.

The proposition of August 5, already outlined, involves the disposal of property of the Town, and under the By-Laws it comes before this Committee for consideration. The facts are: that the Town has by ballot twice signified its choice of this site for a new building. Furthermore, the Town has considered plans of buildings to be erected on the site. On the recommendation of this Committee the first set of plans was rejected and a second set was prepared, in which were incorporated features that are deemed essential. Plans containing these features designed to meet the difficulties peculiar to this site have been accepted, and therefore it is evident that the Town was determined that a new building to meet the present needs of the children be built upon this land.

The especial feature of the proposition on which the Town looks for a report and recommendations is found in the ques-

tion — Is it for the advantage of the town to sell the land? There are certain advantages which might result if the land were sold:

First, if the site is sold, an opportunity will then be afforded for the selection of a larger site and more desirable accommodations.

Second, the Town will have the continued use of the present building during the construction of a new one, thus saving the scattering of the school children in such temporary quarters as may be found, with, however, the consequent interruption of the school routine.

Third, there will be a saving to the Town in fitting up temporary quarters, the estimated expense of which is \$2,500.

As to the disadvantages: If the land be sold there will inevitably be a delay in the construction of a new building.

Second, there will be a loss of money in the payment of fees properly due architects for work for which they must be paid, this sum being estimated at about \$1,000.

Third, there will be prolonged controversy.

Fourth, there will be uncertainty as to the result, and doubt as to the needs of the children being met in as satisfactory a manner as by the plans now adopted.

We believe that the disadvantages outweigh the advantages, and we therefor recommend that action on the proposition of Miss Ames for the purchase of Site No. 1 be indefinitely postponed.

*To the Selectmen of the Town of Swampscott:*

GENTLEMEN, — The erection of a sixteen-room schoolhouse, three-stories high, on Site No. 1, is so detrimental to our property, 9 Monument avenue, in shutting off air and morning sun, that I ask to submit to the Town a new proposition, which I feel will be of advantage both to the Town and ourselves, also to the children.

First, let me say that I feel that in the time of small schools, the Redington street site served excellently its day and generation. But that day seems to have passed. The rapid growth of the Town and the new methods of concentration for both efficiency and economy, demand a larger plant than that location can offer. To the end that we may have a lot large enough to erect a sixteen-room schoolhouse of two-stories only, which insures greater safety to children in case of fire, with plenty of playground in a safe and what will be seen a more central location. I would like to make the following offer, viz :

To take the present school lot on Redingtons treet, consisting of 14,871 square feet at fifty-five cents per square foot, and will give \$4,000 for the estate of Bethuel Wiley, consisting of 4,989 square feet of land. To allow the Town the use of the schoolhouse on Redington street during the coming year, which would overcome the inconvenience of finding several buildings which would offer adequate sanitary heating and lighting arrangements.

At the close of the school year I will also agree to give the present building to the Town, to be disposed of as it deems best. I do not think that special interests of individuals should be considered when they conflict with the good of the Town, and had this site been an ideal spot for the school, I should not have come forward in the matter, but I feel that our interests and that of the Town are identical, and that the building of the large new school on a more suitable and larger site, will be for the benefit of all.

Yours truly,

(Signed)

HARRIET S. AMES.

SWAMPSCOTT, August 5, 1911.

#### Article 5.

The Surveyor of Highways has made temporaay repairs on the surface of Atlantic avenue, and these he advises us are in his judgment sufficient until next Spring.

We therefore recommend that action on this Article be indefinitely postponed.

**Article 6.**

The Board of Health asks for \$300 to cover the increase in the amount of a new contract for removal of refuse and garbage.

In June the Board of Health submitted to the Town proposition that the collection of refuse be undertaken by the Town itself. The Town adopted the recommendation of your Committee on Ways and Means and referred the matter back to the Board of Health to see what other arrangements might be made. The Board has now cancelled the old contract and made new one, which they have reason to believe will be satisfactory. The added expense they estimate to be \$300.

We recommend, therefore, that \$300 be appropriated to cover the increase in cost of service under the new contract.

**Article 7.**

The occasion of this article is, that at the meeting on April 20, the bond issue for the construction of Sewers was not kept separate from two other items, as required by statute.

In order that the Bonds may be issued and the money obtained, the vote taken on April 20, under Article 47 of that warrant must be rescinded and new action taken.

We recommend that the vote on April 20, whereby Miscellaneous Bonds for \$13,000, were voted, be rescinded.

We recommend that the Town issue one Bond to the principal amount of \$1,500, dated September 1, 1911, for the purpose of raising funds to be applied to the purchase of a Stone-crusher, which the Town voted to buy under Article 17, of the warrant for the meeting of March 20, 1911.

Said bond shall be numbered 1, and shall mature and be payable September 1, 1914: it shall bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually: it shall be signed by the Town Treasurer, and countersigned by the Selectmen, and shall be authenticated by the First National Bank of Boston, Mass. It shall be subject to registration at the holder's option on presentation to the Town Treasurer for cancellation of the coupons and for appropriate endorsement. The princi-



pal and interest shall be payable at the First National Bank of Boston, Mass., and it shall be called "Town of Swampscott Stone Crusher Loan, 1911."

All other particulars as to the form, issuance and sale of said bond shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and Selectmen, but said bond shall not be sold at less than par and interest.

We recommend that the Town issue bonds to the principal sum of \$3,000, dated September 1, 1911, for the construction or extension of the Water Works of said Town, as voted by the Town under Article 47 of the Warrant for the Meeting of March 20, 1911: that there shall be three bonds of \$1,000 each, numbered respectively 2, 3 and 4: that Bond No. 2 shall mature September 1, 1912, and one maturing September 1st in each of the succeeding two years in numerical order, with interest meantime at 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually.

These Bonds shall be signed by the Town Treasurer, and countersigned by the Selectmen, and shall be authenticated by the First National Bank of Boston, Mass.: they shall be subject to registration at the holders' option on presentation to the Town Treasurer for cancellation of the coupons and for appropriate endorsement. The principal and interest shall be payable at the First National Bank of Boston, and they shall be called, "Town of Swampscott Miscellaneous Bonds, 1911."

All other particulars as to the form, issuance and sale of said Bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen, but the said Bonds shall not be sold at less than par and interest.

We recommend that for the purposes stated in Chapter 86 of the Acts of 1902, and Chapter 401 of the Acts of 1903, and Acts in amendment thereof, coupon bonds of the Town to the amount of \$8,500 be forthwith issued, dated September 1, 1911: that eight (8) of the bonds be of the denomination of \$1,000 each, and one bond of the denomination of \$500, payable in gold or its equivalent, and numbered respectively from one to nine inclusive: that bond No. 1 shall be payable on the first day of September 1912:



and that one of said bonds shall be payable in its numerical order each subsequent year, and all payable at the First National Bank of Boston, Mass. Said bonds shall have the right of exchange for registered certificates payable at the office of the Town Treasurer of Swampscott. They shall bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually at the First National Bank of Boston, Mass.; shall be signed by the Treasurer of the said Town, and countersigned by a majority of the Sewer Commissioners (now Water and Sewerage Board), and each of said bonds shall bear on the face thereof the words, "Swampscott Sewerage Loan, 1911," and said bonds shall be sold under the direction of the Town Treasurer and the Water and Sewerage Board.

All other particulars as to the form, issuance and sale of said bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen, but said bonds shall not be sold at less than par and interest.

#### Articles 8 and 9.

The objects of these two Articles are, first, that the action of the Sewerage Board in constructing certain sewers, which are not specified, shall be ratified by the Town.

Secondly, that the Town appropriate \$4,000 to meet what would, failing such an appropriation, be a deficiency.

From February 1st, 1910, to this time the Board has entered into contracts for the construction of sewers to the amount of \$25,600; while the amount appropriated for sewer construction is but \$22,200, a shortage of \$3,400 at least, and it may exceed that sum.

The Town is asked to appropriate \$4,000 in addition to what has already been appropriated.

The Sewerage Board has not planned its work with due regard to the amounts appropriated. It has entered into contracts in excess of the funds available. It has constructed sewers which the Town did not have an authority to authorize by vote at a time when there was not enough money available to pay for the work.

The balance of \$5,580 which reverted to the treasury February 1, 1911, and on which the Board seems to have relied, was not a balance of funds that could properly be used for construction purposes. The shortage existing at the time of the Annual Meeting in March last, then some \$3,200 should have been reported and provision made to meet it.

We find that this condition, resulting in a deficiency, is an outgrowth of lax methods which should be corrected at once. However, as the work has been done, and the contractors should be paid, the Town must provide the money. If the money is not provided the Town Accountant under the Act must refuse to make any further payments on account of sewer construction.

As to Article 8, we recommend—because the Article is so vaguely drawn, and because the appropriation as recommended under Article 9 will cover the essential features—that action on this Article be indefinitely postponed.

As to Article 9, we recommend that the sum of \$4,000 be appropriated for sewers already under contract, and for those built but not paid for.

#### Articles 10, 11 and 12.

These Articles call for appropriations aggregating \$3,100, for Sewer construction. All the sewers petitioned for are at the ends of mains: in no instance is there any special exigency that did not exist at the time of the Annual Meeting in March.

The Town has repeatedly expressed a sentiment adverse to action at special meetings, such as now called for. If matters involving large appropriations that could be brought before the Annual Meeting are deferred for action to special meetings the Town finances are liable to be disarranged, and frequently money has to be borrowed and interest paid on appropriations that should properly be included in the annual tax levy.

We recommend that action on these three (3) Articles be postponed to an Annual Town Meeting.

#### Article 13.

The action requested on this Article is that the amount of \$4,000 be appropriated to pay the award made by the Selectmen for the Bethuel Wiley, estate, taken as part of Site No. 1.

Mrs. Wiley has not accepted this award, and there seems to be, therefore, no reason why the appropriation should be made at this time.

We recommend that action on this Article be postponed until such time as the actual amount of the award shall have been determined.

#### Article 14.

That for the purpose of raising the money appropriated under Articles 10, 11 and 12 for the construction of sewers there be issued under the authority of Chapter 86 of the Acts of 1902 and Chapter 401 of the Acts of 1903 and Acts in amendments thereof three coupon bonds of the Town to the amount of Thirty-one hundred dollars (\$3,100) dated Sept. 1, 1911, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum; that number one of said bonds be of the denomination of eleven hundred dollars, and that number two and three, respectively, be of the denomination of one thousand each, payable in gold or its equivalent; that bond number one be payable on Sept. 1, 1912, and that one of said bonds shall be payable in its numerical order each subsequent year and all payable at the First National Bank of Boston, Mass.

All other particulars as to the form, issuance and sale of said bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen, but the said bonds shall not be sold at less than par and interest.

That for the purpose of raising the money appropriated under Article 9, for the Construction of Sewers, we recommend that under the authority Chapter 86, of the Acts of 1902, and Chapter 401 of the Acts of 1903, and Acts in amendment thereof, coupon bonds of the Town to the amount of \$4,000 bearing interest at 4 per cent per annum be forthwith issued, dated September 1, 1911; that said bonds be of the denomination of \$1,000 each, payable in gold or its equivalent, and numbered respectively from 10 to 13 inclusive; that bond No. 10, shall be payable on the first day of September, 1912, and that one of said bonds shall be payable in its numerical order each subse-

quent year, and all payable at the First National Bank of Boston, Mass. Said bonds shall have the right of exchange for registered certificate payable at the office of the Town Treasurer at Swampscott, Mass.

All other particulars as to form, issuance and sale of said bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen, but the said bonds shall not be sold at less than par and interest.

ELGAR H. TOWNSEND,  
EDWARD N. CARPENTER,  
GEORGE D. R. DURKEE,  
JOHN ALBREE,  
LEON L. DENNIS,

*Committee on Ways and Means.*

Mr. Humphrey here read a subsequent letter received from Miss Ames, a letter from Mr. Chick; also a communication from the First National Bank of Boston, in relation to particulars in placing a Schoolhouse loan. Mr. Keefe moved that the report of the Ways and Means Committee on Article 1, be accepted and adopted.

Mr. Sprague moved to amend the motion of Mr. Keefe, that the report be first received, which was carried.

A motion of Mr. Underwood that Article 4 of the Warrant be rescinded, by Australian ballot was lost. Article 1 was then taken up, Mr. Keefe's motion being then in order. Mr. Underwood having the floor, and having extended his remarks to matters not entirely germane to the subject, was reminded by the Moderator that, under the Town By-Laws discussion should be confined to the matter contained in the Article in the Warrant. Mr. Underwood having appealed from the rulings of the chair, Tellers were named and by rising vote of 164 Yes, 63 No, the chair stood sustained in its ruling.

Mr. J. F. Keefe then renewed his motion for the adoption of the report of the Ways and Means Committee upon Article 1 of the Warrant, which by a rising vote, tellers having been appointed by the chair, was carried, 174 Yes, 70 No.

Voted to indefinitely postpone Articles 2, 3, and 5.

ART. 6. Voted, to adopt the recommendation on this Article and appropriate \$300.

ART. 7. Voted, unanimously to adopt the recommendations of the Ways and Means Committee on Article 7.

Voted, to take up Articles 8 and 9 together. It was unanimously

Voted, to adopt the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee on Articles 8 and 9.

Voted, to consider Articles 10, 11 and 12 together, the Ways and Means Committee having recommended that action on these three Articles be postponed to an Annual Town Meeting, it was

Voted, by rising vote of 19 Yes, 34 No, not to adopt the Committee's report upon these Articles.

A recess of ten minutes having been taken by vote of the meeting, on coming to order, on motion of James F. Caton, it was unanimously voted, to appropriate \$3,100 to construct the sewers mentioned in Articles 10, 11, and 12.

Voted, to indefinitely postpone Article 13.

ART. 14. Voted, unanimously, to adopt the recommendations of the Ways and Means Committee on Article 14. A vote of thanks having been extended to the Ways and Means Committee, it was voted at 10.45 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

**Town Primaries, Tuesday, September 26, 1911.**

ESSEX, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in said County,*

**GREETING:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, Mass., qualified to vote in elections to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, September 26, it being the sixth Tuesday preceding the State Election, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to bring in their votes to the Selectmen on one ballot, for

**Nomination.**

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney-General, Councillor, Senator, Representatives in General Court (two), County Commissioner, Clerk of Court, Register of Deeds.

**Election.**

District members of the State Committees, Members of Town Committees, Delegates to the State Convention.

The polls to be kept open until 8 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.



Given under our hands this sixteenth day of September, in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott, by posting attested copies of said Warrant, at the Town Hall, Post Offices, Depots and three other public and conspicuous places in Swampscott, on Tuesday, September 19, 1911. The posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, the voters of the Town were called to order at 4 o'clock P. M., September 26, 1911, by Clarence B. Humphrey, Chairman of Selectmen, chief presiding election officer.

Warrant and Return were read by the Clerk.

John A. Cullen, (Dem. Special): George F. Clay, (Rep.): and John B. Ryan, (Dem.,) as ballot Clerks, were qualified by the Clerk.

Voted, that the polls be kept open until 9 o'clock P. M.

The polls closed at 9 P. M., 562 Republican, 18 Democratic and 1 Democratic Progressive ballots, having been cast, as fol-

lows, the result having been declared at 1.15 A. M., the following acting as Tellers: Benjamin B. Blanchard, John J. Mehegan, William R. Pattern, Frank W. Oulton, (Reps.), S. M. Shattuck, Andrew Olsen, D. W. Nisbett, William P. Bergin, (Dems.)

### The Republican Party.

#### Governor.

Louis A. Frothingham, of Boston	.	.	.	.	322
Joseph Walker, of Brookline	.	.	.	.	92
Norman H. White, of Brookline	.	.	.	.	119
Blanks	.	.	.	.	29

#### Lieutenant Governor.

Robert Luce, of Somerville	.	.	.	.	451
Blanks	.	.	.	.	111

#### Secretary.

Albert P. Langtry, of Springfield	.	.	.	.	291
Russell A. Wood, of Cambridge	.	.	.	.	151
Blanks	.	.	.	.	120

#### Treasurer.

Elmer Stevens, of Somerville	.	.	.	.	433
Blanks	.	.	.	.	129

#### Auditor.

Herbert W. Burr, of Boston	.	.	.	.	151
John E. White, of Tisbury	.	.	.	.	268
Blanks	.	.	.	.	143

#### Attorney General.

James M. Swift, of Fall River	.	.	.	.	425
Blanks	.	.	.	.	137

#### Councillor—Fifth District.

Edward G. Frothingham, of Haverhill	.	.	.	231
James H. Walker, of Amesbury	.	.	.	192
Blanks	.	.	.	139

**Senator—First Essex District.**

George H. Newhall, of Lynn . . . . .	440
Blanks . . . . .	122

**Representatives in General Court—Twelfth Essex District.**

Roy F. Bergengren, of Lynn . . . . .	298
John H. Cogswell, of Lynn . . . . .	224

Martin L. Quinn, of Swampscott . . . . .	356
Blanks . . . . .	246

**County Commissioner—Essex.**

Charles H. Cressy, of Beverly . . . . .	113
Moody Kimball, of Newburyport . . . . .	253
Winslow L. Webber, of Gloucester . . . . .	68
Blanks . . . . .	128

**Register of Deeds—Essex Southern District.**

Willard J. Hale, of Newburyport . . . . .	314
John H. Roberts, of Salem . . . . .	109
Blanks . . . . .	139

**Clerk of Courts—Essex.**

Edward B. George, of Haverhill . . . . .	415
Blanks . . . . .	147

**State Committee—First Essex District.**

Hiram E. Miller, of Lynn . . . . .	402
Blanks . . . . .	160

**Delegates to State Convention.**

James D. Bentley, of Swampscott . . . . .	438
John M. Grosvenor, Jr., of Swampscott . . . . .	427
Edward A. Maxfield, of Swampscott . . . . .	442
Lewis W. Tatro, of Swampscott . . . . .	429
Blanks . . . . .	511

**Town Committee.**

Nathaniel F. Bartlett, of Swampscott	.	.	.	429
Harry E. Cahoon, of Swampscott	.	.	.	420
James D. Bentley, of Swampscott	.	.	.	421
Charles A. Blanchard, of Swampscott	.	.	.	415
Charles E. Hogdon, of Swampscott	.	.	.	417
Alfred F. Frazier, of Swampscott	.	.	.	410
Dansel F. Knowlton, of Swampscott	.	.	.	422
Blanks	.	.	.	1,000

**The Democratic Party.****Governor.**

Eugene N. Foss, of Boston	.	.	.	17
Thomas L. Hisgen, of West Springfield	.	.	.	0
Blanks	.	.	.	1

**Lieutenant Governor.**

David I. Walsh, of Fitchburg	.	.	.	17
Blanks	.	.	.	1

**Secretary.**

Frank J. Donahue, of Boston	.	.	.	11
Edward O. Skelton, of Boston	.	.	.	4
Blanks	.	.	.	3

**Treasurer.**

Augustus L. Thorndike, of Brewster	.	.	.	15
Blanks	.	.	.	3

**Auditor.**

Charles B. Strecker, of Brookline	.	.	.	15
Blanks	.	.	.	3

**Attorney-General.**

George W. Anderson, of Boston	. . . . .	13
Joseph J. Leonard, of Boston	. . . . .	3
Blanks	. . . . .	2

**Councillor—Fifth District.**

Edward J. Carney, of Salem	. . . . .	11
Frank A. Foster, of Manchester	. . . . .	4
Blanks	. . . . .	3

**Senator—First Essex District.**

Francis V. McCarthy, of Lynn	. . . . .	16
Blanks	. . . . .	2

**Representatives in General Court—Twelfth Essex District.**

James T. Lyons	. . . . .	5
Martin L. Quinn	. . . . .	1
W. F. Norcross	. . . . .	1
John F. Cogswell	. . . . .	1
Blanks	. . . . .	10

**County Commissioner—Essex.**

Patrick J. Murphy, of Peabody	. . . . .	14
Blanks	. . . . .	4

**Register of Deeds—Essex Southern District.**

John H. Roberts, of Salem	. . . . .	14
Blanks	. . . . .	4

**Clerk of Courts—Essex.**

Blanks	. . . . .	18
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**State Committee—First Essex District.**

Austin T. Cusack, of Lynn	. . . . .	13
Blanks	. . . . .	5

**Delegate to State Convention.**

James T. Lyons	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Blanks.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7

**Town Committee.**

James T. Lyons	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
M. J. Ryan	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
John N. Cullen	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
A. G. Stone	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
John Maitland	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Frank Thurston	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
John B. Finnegan	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	119

**Democratic Progressive.**

Eugene N. Foss	.	.	.	.	.	1 for Governor
David I. Walsh	.	.	.	.	.	1 for Lieutenant Governor

Voted, at 2 o'clock A. M. 27th, to dissolve the meeting.

SWAMPSCOTT, Sept. 30, 1911.

**Recount of Ballots Cast at Primaries for Representatives.**

Petition having been presented to the Town Clerk asking for a recount of the ballots cast for Representatives to the General Court for the Twelfth Essex District at the joint Primaries held on the twenty-sixth, inst., the Board of Registrars met in the Town Hall this day at 3 P. M. and canvassed and recounted said ballots with the result. No change from the previous record.

MILTON D. PORTER,

*Clerk of Board of Registrars*

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*



**State Election, November 7, 1911.****TOWN WARRANT.**

ESSEX SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in  
said County,* *GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, Mass., qualified to vote in elections to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the seventh day of November next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said November, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes to the Selectmen on one ballot, for

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Councillor, Senator, Two Representatives in the General Court, County Commissioner, Clerk of Courts, Register of Deeds.

To vote Yes or No upon the question, "Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the use of voting machines at all elections be approved and ratified?"

To vote Yes or No upon the question, "Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution, increasing the power of the legislature to authorize the taking of land and property for highways or streets, be approved and ratified?"

The polls to be kept open until 4.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of October, in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott, by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Post Office, Depots, and three other public and conspicuous places in Swampscott on Saturday, October 28, 1911. The posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*

Meeting called to order at 6 o'clock A. M. by Clarence B. Humphrey, Chairman of the Selectmen, chief presiding election officer.

The Warrant and return thereon read by the Clerk.

The following were qualified for their respective duties by the Clerk: Special, John A. Cullen, Dem.; Ballot Clerks, John B. Ryan, Dem.; George F. Clary, Rep. Tellers, Richard E. Melzard, Frank V. Porter, B. B. Blanchard, John J. Mehegan, Stuart P. Ellis and Thomas E. Berry, Rep.; S. M. Shattuck, Andrew Olsen, D. W. Nisbett, W. P. Bergin, F. G. Melvin and John B. Cahoon, Dems.

The polls closed at 4.30 P. M., 950 ballots having been cast.

At 9.50 P. M. the vote was declared as follows:

**Governor.**

James F. Carey, of Haverhill . . . . .	22
Eugene N. Foss, of Boston (Dem.) . . . . .	174
Eugene N. Foss, of Boston (Dem. Progressive) . . . . .	53
Louis A. Frothingham, of Boston . . . . .	664
Dennis McGoff, of New Bedford . . . . .	3
Frank F. Rand, of Haverhill . . . . .	13
Foss, . . . . .	6
Blanks . . . . .	15

**Lieutenant Governor.**

Walter S. Hutchins, of Greenfield . . . . .	26
Robert Luce, of Somerville . . . . .	666
William G. Merrill, of Malden . . . . .	18
Patrick Mulligan of Boston . . . . .	4
David I. Walsh, of Fitchburg . . . . .	201
Blanks . . . . .	35

**Secretary.**

David Craig, of Milford . . . . .	92
Frank J. Donahue, of Buston . . . . .	155
Alfred H. Evans, of Northampton . . . . .	30
Rose Fenner, of Worcester . . . . .	17
Albert P. Langtry, of Springfield . . . . .	658
Blanks . . . . .	78

**Treasurer.**

Joseph M. Coldwell, of Milford . . . . .	28
Jeremiah P. McNally, of Salem . . . . .	8
Charles E. Peakes, of Weston . . . . .	20
Elmer A. Stevens, of Somerville . . . . .	660
Augustus L. Thorndike, of Brewster . . . . .	155
Blanks . . . . .	79

**Auditor.**

Karl Lindstrand, of Lynn . . . . .	14
Sylvester J. McBride, of Watertown . . . . .	20
William W. Nash, of Westborough . . . . .	22
Charles B. Strecker, of Brookline . . . . .	152
John E. White, of Tisbury . . . . .	652
Blanks . . . . .	90

**Attorney-General.**

George W. Anderson, of Boston . . . . .	173
Henry C. Hess, of Boston . . . . .	8
George E. Roewer, Jr., of Boston . . . . .	21
James M. Swift, of Fall River . . . . .	665
Blanks . . . . .	83

**Councillor—Fifth District**

John H. Blackstock, of Amesbury . . . . .	27
Edward J. Carney, of Salem . . . . .	109
Edward G. Frothingham, of Haverhill . . . . .	109
James H. Walker, of Amesbury . . . . .	79
Blanks . . . . .	80

**Senator—First Essex District.**

Francis V. McCarthy, of Lynn . . . . .	186
George H. Newhall, of Lynn . . . . .	716
Blanks . . . . .	66

**Representatives in General Court—Twelfth Essex District.**

John H. Cogswell, of Lynn . . . . .	530
James T. Lyons, of Swampscott . . . . .	369
Martin L. Quinn, of Swampscott . . . . .	566
Blanks . . . . .	455

**County Commissioner—Essex County.**

Charles H. Creesy, of Beverly . . . . .	104
Nathan Huntington, of Merrimac . . . . .	24
Moody Kimball, of Newburyport . . . . .	605
Patrick J. Murphy, of Peabody . . . . .	133
Blanks . . . . .	84

## Clerk of Courts—Essex County.

Edward B. George, of Haverhill	.	.	.	.	736
Blanks	.	.	.	.	214

## Register of Deeds—Essex Southern District.

Willard J. Hale, of Newburyport	.	.	.	.	659
Wesley L. Hall, of Georgetown	.	.	.	.	33
John H. Roberts, of Salem	.	.	.	.	149
Blanks	.	.	.	.	109

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the use of voting machines at all elections be approved and ratified? Yes, 461; No, 182; Blanks, 307.

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution, increasing the power of the legislature to authorize the taking of land and property for highways or streets, be approved and ratified? Yes, 520; No, 135; blanks, 295.

Voted, at 955 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

## Special Town Meeting, December 19, 1911.

## TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in said County,* *GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to assemble in

the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the nineteenth day of December, nineteen hundred and eleven, at 7.45 P. M., then and there to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to issue bonds to the amount of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) either for the purchase of and in payment for materials, or for work necessary for its water supply, or for both materials and work, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will vote to issue bonds to the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for the payment for either or both the construction and extension of the sewerage system of the Town and for any of the purposes of the Swampscott Sewerage Acts so called, being Chapter 86 of Acts of 1902 and Chapter 401 of Acts of 1903 and any act in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will adopt the following draft of by-laws for the regulation of carriages and vehicles used in the Town, and add same to Chapter 9 of the Police Regulations.

SECT. 37. No person, persons or corporation shall hereafter set up, employ or use within the Town any public carriage or other vehicle however propelled, for the conveyance of passengers for hire, whether hackney coach, omnibus, cab or otherwise, or any express wagon or other vehicle for the common carrying of light merchandise or parcels within the Town, without having first obtained from the Selectmen a licence therefor, as hereinafter provided: provided that all street cars regularly run upon their proper tracks and all teams for carrying heavy goods running on routes partly without the Town, shall not be included in this section.

SECT. 38. The Selectmen may at their discretion grant and issue licenses for the keeping and use of carriages or vehicles as described in the first section, which license shall be revokable at



their pleasure, and shall expire on the first day of May next after the date thereof. They shall receive one dollar (\$1) for each license granted as aforesaid, and every such license shall specify the names of the owner and driver of the carriage licensed, with the number thereof, and the particular location assigned to the same. Such license shall not be in any wise transferable from party to party nor be applicable to any other carriage owner or driver than those specified therein.

SECT. 39. Every such carriage, team or vehicle so licensed shall be conspicuously marked with the number assigned by the license upon the sides thereof in plain figures, and the name of the owner or driver with such number of the carriage and the rates of fares allowed shall be conspicuously posted in the interior of every covered vehicle used for carrying passengers. Every such driver when driving or waiting for passengers shall wear a badge on his hat or cap displaying the number of his vehicle in figures not less than one inch long.

SECT. 40. The Selectmen shall have the power to fix and prescribe rates of fares to be charged by the owner or driver of any carriage for the conveyance of passengers and their baggage, or by any expressman or express company for carrying goods and parcels and if any such owner or driver, expressman or express company shall violate such rates, or unreasonably refuse and neglect to carry passengers, baggage or parcels at such rates the Selectmen may in their discretion revoke the license held by the offender.

SECT. 41. The Selectmen may also make and establish suitable regulations for the conduct of carriages and licenses, which regulations shall be incorporated into every license issued.

SECT. 42. Any person, persons or corporation who shall offend against the provisions of any of the five preceding by-laws shall forfeit and pay for each offence a sum not exceeding

twenty dollars (\$20), and said penalty shall be recoverable from the person so offending or from his employer, or from the owner of said vehicle.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will vote to award to Mrs. P. A. Wiley a sum of money for loss of rents and maintenance caused by the delay and taking of her land and house on Redington street for schoolhouse purposes, and to make an appropriation of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for the same, as petitioned for by Aaron R. Bunting and others.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will vote to complete the lighting of Phillips avenue along the line of the A. W. Preston estate to the intersection at Atlantic avenue, as petitioned for by Arthur F. Estabrook and others.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of a majority of the Board of Selectmen to borrow money during the financial year, beginning January 1, 1912, in anticipation of the taxes for said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the year 1912, giving the notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the date thereof, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Surveyor of Highways for the term of three years at the next annual Town Meeting as provided for by Chapter 222 of the Acts of 1911, as petitioned for by Martin E. Nies and others.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the additional sums for the several departments as recommended by the respective departments as follows :

I. GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

Law . . . . .	\$150 00
Election and Registration . . . . .	140 00

II. PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY.

Moth Extermination . . . . .	300 00
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## III. HEALTH AND SANITATION.

Refuse and Garbage Disposal	. . .	425 00
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## IV. HIGHWAYS.

Street Construction	. . . . .	350 00
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## V. CHARITIES.

Poor	. . . . .	425 00
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## VI. EDUCATION.

School Maintenance	. . . . .	500 00
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## X. UNCLASSIFIED.

Contingent Fund	. . . . .	150 00
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ART. 9. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing Articles.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighth day of December, in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS.  
JAMES F. CATON.

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

**Return on the Warrent.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Post Offices, Depots and three other public and conspicuous places in Swampscott, on Tuesday, December 12, 1911. The posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

Meeting called to order by the Moderator at 7.45 P. M.

The Warrant and Return thereon read by the Clerk.

Mr. Townsend, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, read and submitted the following report upon Articles in the Warrant claiming their attention.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

The Ways and Means Committee herewith submit their Report on the Warrant for Town Meeting of December 19, 1911.

ARTICLE I. Relative to an appropriation of \$3,000 for the Water Department.

The meeting of August 17th, last, authorized a loan, but the vote then passed failed to meet the approval of counsel, so that the bonds could not be disposed of.

We recommend that the Town appropriate from the receipts of the various departments of the Town, now in the Town Treasury, the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for the purposes of the Water Department, as set forth in Chapter 293, of the Acts of 1898, and Chapter 112, of the Acts of 1909, and Acts in amendment thereof; and in addition thereto that said sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) be placed to the credit of the Water Department.

ART. 2. Relative to an issue of \$4,000 of Sewer Bonds.

This loan was authorized by the meeting of August 17th. last, but as the vote then passed did not conform to the specific object as stated in the Warrant it has become necessary to act again upon the matter, and we therefore recommend:

That for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under Chapter 86 of the Acts of 1902, and Chapter 401 of the Acts of 1903, and any Acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, the Town issue bonds to the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000); that there shall be four bonds of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, numbered respectively 10, 11, 12 and 13. Bond numbered 10, shall mature on the 30th. day of December, 1912, and one bond shall mature each succeeding year. Said bonds shall bear on their face the words "Swampscott Sewerage Loan." and shall bear interest payable semi-annually at a rate not exceeding 4 per cent per annum: they shall be signed by the Treasurer of the Town, and shall be countersigned by a majority of the Sewer Commissioners (now Water and Sewerage Board) shall be authenticated by the First National Bank of Boston, Massachusetts: shall be subject to registration at the holders' option on presentation to the Town Treasurer for cancellation of the coupons, and for appropriate endorsement. The principal and interest shall be payable at the First National Bank of Boston. All other particulars as to form, issuance and sale of said bonds shall be determined by the Town Treasurer and Sewer Commissioners (now Water and Sewerage Board), but said bonds shall not be sold or pledged for less than the par value shereof, and the proceeds thereof shall be retained in the treasury, and the Treasurer shall pay therefrom the expenses incurred for the purposes aforesaid.

ART. 4. Relative to an award to Mrs. Wiley.

The petition for an award is based upon conditions alleged to have occurred in connection with the taking of Mrs. Wiley's land for the new school. Under the method of procedure as prescribed in the statute for such a taking the award

does not come before the Town until the Selectmen and the claimant have agreed upon an amount, or a judgment obtained in court.

The Town counsel advises us that any payment by the Town in advance of an award would be illegal, and could be restrained by an injunction. Furthermore, we learn that there is prospect that an award may be agreed upon.

In view of this, as well as of the fact that the Town can take no effective action now, we recommend that the subject matter of the petition be referred to the Selectmen.

ART. 5. Relative to Street Lights on Phillips avenue.

This part of Phillips avenue has no houses upon it, and its use is confined largely to the summer months. As there is at this time no pressing need for additional lights, and as there is some doubt about the method of lighting, it seems best that the whole subject be considered at the Annual Town Meeting, and we therefore recommend that action on this Article be referred to the Annual Town Meeting.

ART. 6. Relative to providing cash for the business of the Town prior to the receipt of taxes.

We recommend, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the Town of Swampscott, in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year 1912, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow on and after January 1, 1912, from time to time, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, a sum or sums in the aggregate not exceeding one hundred twenty-five thousand (\$125,000) dollars, and to execute and deliver therefor the note or notes of the Town, issued in accordance with and conforming to the requirements of Chapter 616, Acts of 1910, payable within one year from the time the loan is made. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the Town under this vote shall be paid from the taxes of said municipal year.

ART. 8. Relative to appropriations for several departments of the Town.



## 1. GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

### **Law Department.**

During the current year there has been an unusual and an unexpected amount of need for the services of the Town Counsel, the principal calls being in connection with the prolonged hearings on the Metropolitan Park assessments and the taking of the Chick and the Wiley properties for school purposes. The appropriation has proved insufficient for the charges incurred, and we recommend that \$150 be appropriated for the Law Department.

### **Department of Election and Registration.**

Because of the expense of primaries and of special elections held during the year the appropriation was exhausted. We recommend that the sum of \$140 be appropriated to this department for the payment of the extra expenses incurred.

## 2. PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY.

### **Moth Extermination Department.**

During the year there has been an unusual amount of work done on private property, part of which will be paid for by the owners under the law. The result of this extra work is that the appropriation has become exhausted, and an additional amount is needed for the expenses for the balance of the year. We recommend that three hundred (\$300) dollars be appropriated for the Moth Extermination Department.

## 3. HEALTH AND SANITATION.

### **Department of Refuse and Garbage Disposal.**

The amount appropriated has not been sufficient to meet the demands under the new contract, which seems to have given general satisfaction in its workings. We recommend that four hundred twenty-five (\$425) dollars be appropriated for the expenses of the Department of Refuse and Garbage.

#### 4. HIGHWAYS.—DEPARTMENT OF STREET CONSTRUCTION.

The amount called for is to pay for the construction of a system to care for the surface drainage on Rockland street, at a point near Highland street where there is a depression in the grade. The surface water cannot follow the gutter down the hill, but passes off through private land, causing inconvenience to the owners. On connecting the depressed place on Rockland street with catch-basins on King street, by a drain across private land, the trouble can be obviated and Rockland street properly drained.

We recommend that three hundred and fifty (\$350) dollars be appropriated for the Department of Street Construction for this purpose.

#### 5. CHARITIES.

##### **Poor Department.**

The receipts that have heretofore been used in this department have reverted to the Treasury, and there is a deficit of \$425. We recommend that \$425 be appropriated for the Poor Department.

#### 6. EDUCATION.

##### **Department of School Maintenance.**

Owing to the necessity for temporary accommodations for the pupils formerly attending the Redington street school extra expense has been incurred for rent of rooms and for the cost of fitting them for school purposes.

We recommend that five hundred (\$500) dollars be appropriated to the Department of School Maintenance for this purpose.

#### X. UNCLASSIFIED.

##### **Department of Contingent Fund.**

This fund, sometimes called Emergency Fund, is drawn upon for sundry items, the nature and amounts of which cannot be foretold. At the Annual Town Meeting the sum of \$500 was appropriated for this Fund, but this amount has proved insuf-

ficient, and there are now four or five bills to be met, which will aggregate about one hundred and fifty dollars.

Through inadvertence an item of \$200 for Sewer Maintenance was not included in the warrant for this meeting, the amount being for pay-rolls until January 1st. By including this amount in the appropriation for the Contingent Fund, and transferring it to Sewer Maintenance Department, the deficit can be provided for.

We recommend that \$350 be appropriated to the Contingent Fund.

ART. 9. As to providing the money for the appropriations.

For the purpose of the appropriations made under Article 8 of this warrant, we recommend that the Town appropriate from the receipts of the various departments now in the Town Treasury the sum of twenty-six hundred forty (\$2,640) dollars.

ELGAR H. TOWNSEND,  
EDWARD N. CARPENTER,  
GEORGE D. R. DURKEE,  
LEON L. DENNIS,  
JOHN ALBREE,

*Committee on Ways and Means.*

Voted, to accept the report.

ARTICLE 1. Voted, To adopt the report of the Committee upon Article 1.

ART. 2. Voted unanimously, to adopt the Committee's report upon Article 2.

ART. 4. Voted, To adopt the Committee's report to refer this Article to the Selectmen.

ART. 5. Voted, To adopt the Committee's report, to refer Article 5 to next Annual Town Meeting.

ART. 6. It was unanimously voted to adopt the Ways and Means Committee's report upon this Article.

ART. 8. Voted, To adopt the Committee's recommendations upon Article 8, and appropriate the sums reported by it.

ART. 9. Voted, To adopt the recommendations of the Committee upon Article 9, and appropriate \$2,640.

ART. 3. Ruled out by the Chair.

ART. 7. The Chair having ruled this Article as being out of order, exception to the ruling having been taken by Mr. F. H. Bradford, the question of sustaining the Chair was put by the Clerk, and by rising votes of 5 Yes, to 25 No, the Chair was not sustained in its ruling.

On motion of Mr. Bowen, it was then

Voted, That the term of office of Surveyor of Highways shall be three (3) years.

Voted, At 8.48 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest :                      MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

## Town Clerk's Statistics.

### Births Recorded.

Males, 86; females, 89. Total, 175.

In January, 10; February, 13; March, 16; April, 10; May, 17; June, 15; July, 15; August, 21; September, 10; October, 25; November, 13; December, 10.

Fathers born in Swampscott, 11; mothers born in Swampscott, 8.

### Marriages Recorded, 96.

In January, 8; February, 4; March, 2; April, 5; May, 4; June, 15; July, 7; August, 4; September, 15; October, 17; November, 11; December, 4.

Grooms born in Swampscott, 9; brides born in Swampscott, 8.

### Deaths Recorded.

Males, 44; females, 39. Total, 83.

In January, 8; February, 5; March, 8; April, 12; May, 8; June, 3; July, 8; August, 10; September, 7; October, 8; November, 2; December, 4.

Under 1 year, 15; 1 to 5, 5; 5 to 10, 1; 10 to 20, 1; 20 to 30, 4; 30 to 40, 3; 40 to 50, 7; 50 to 60, 4; 60 to 70, 14; 70 to 80, 18; over 80 years, 11.

**Dogs Licensed.**

Males, 257; females, 52. Total 309,

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**Licenses Issued to Junk Dealers.**

Two at \$60.00 each.

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**Peddlers of Foreign Fruit, etc.**

Eight at \$2.00 each.

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**Pool Table Licenses.**

Two at \$2.00 each.

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**Auctioneer's Licenses.**

Two at \$2.00 each.

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**Bowling Alleys.**

One at \$2.00.

Paid Town Treasurer \$146.

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**Gunners' Licenses Issued (State).**

Seventy-four at \$1.00 each.

Paid State Treasurer \$74.

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Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*



## REPORT ON METROPOLITAN PARKS APPOR- TIONMENT FOR YEARS 1910 TO 1915 INCLUSIVE.

The Metropolitan Parks District was created on June 3d, 1893, by the enactment of Chapter 407 of the year 1903, and the Town of Swampscott was made a part of the District created, and is therefore required to pay a part of the cost and expense of the District. The district was culled arbitrarily out of that territory within a fifteen mile circle which takes the State House at Boston for the centre, as a result of a study made by a Commission appointed under the authority of Chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1892. Whatever may have been the considerations which caused the leaving out of certain towns which were largely within the geographical limits of the District is difficult of understanding, but the fact remains that several towns were left out and other more remotely connected were legislated in, one or more even against a vote of protest, and therefore the limits of the District do not extend a uniform distance from the supposed centre. Nevertheless, the Supreme Court has passed upon and sustained the power of the Legislature to create this District, and to require the cities and towns designated to bear the share of the cost apportioned to them as provided by the Act and its amendments.

Thirty-eight cities and towns comprise the District and pay for the cost, maintenance and operation. They are as follows: Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Lynn, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Newton, Quincy, Somerville, Waltham, Woburn, Arlington Belmont, Braintree, Brookline, Canton, Dedham, Dover, Hingham, Hull, Hyde Park, Milton, Nahant, Needham.

Randolph, Revere, Saugus, Stoneham, Swampscott, Wakefield, Watertown, Wellesley, Weston, Westwood, Weymouth, Winchester and Winthrop.

The purpose of the Metropolitan Parks District, as stated in the original act was as follows: Section 4: "Said Board (meaning the Metropolitan Parks Commission) shall have the power to *acquire, maintain and make available to the inhabitants of said district open spaces for exercise and recreation*, and to this end, acting so far as may be in consultation with the local boards, shall be authorized to take in fee or otherwise, in the name and for the benefit of the Commonwealth, by purchase, gift, devise or eminent domain, lands and rights in lands for public open spaces within said District or to take bonds for the conveyance thereof, and to preserve and care for such public reservations, and also in the discretion of said Board and upon such terms as it may approve, such other open spaces within said district as may be entrusted, given or devised to said Board or to the Commonwealth by the United States, or by cities, towns, corporations or individuals for the general purposes of this act, or for any one or more of such purposes as the donor may designate," etc., (with certain provisions which seem not material.)

At the time this district was established no such rapid or elaborate development as has followed this legislation was contemplated. It was then proposed to secure the natural beauty spots within the area designated for the benefit of the public: to prevent the district from becoming unduly congested by providing breathing spaces for exercise and recreation, and all this was to be done in such a manner as not to become a burden upon the communities charged with the payment of the expense. Section 9 of said Chapter 407 provides as follows: "To meet the expenses incurred under the provisions of this act, the Treasurer and Receiver-General shall with the approval of the Governor and Council, issue script of certificate of debt in the name and behalf of the Commonwealth, and under its seal to *an amount not exceeding one million dollars*, for a term not exceeding forty years." The same year, on June 10th, by

Chapter 475 of the Acts of that year, the Legislature appointed the State Board of Health and the Metropolitan Parks Commissioners a general Board to investigate the sanitary condition and prepare plans for the improvement of the bed, shores and waters of Charles River, between Charles River Bridge and the Waltham line on Charles River, and for the removal of any nuisance therefrom. From this time on apparently many citizens of the cities and towns which were included in the District engaged in a race to compel the expenditure of money by the Commonwealth under the guise of Park development within the limits of their city or town. The one million dollar limit was soon exhausted, and legislation authorizing a larger debt was enacted from time to time. Beginning with 1904, the Metropolitan Parks Commissioners were ordered by the Legislature to build reservations, parkways and boulevards designated by it, and debts in addition to the one million dollar limit were authorized.

In 1904 the Act authorizing the building of boulevards by the Metropolitan Parks Commission was passed. This Act limited the indebtedness to be incurred to five hundred thousand dollars, and provided that the Commonwealth should pay one-half the expense. Many other Acts were passed and many rejected by the Legislature. *In 1910 the total indebtedness of the Metropolitan Parks District was thirteen million, six hundred and forty-five thousand, one hundred eighty-three dollars and eighty-seven cents (\$13,645,183.87), and the reservations and parkways controlled by the Metropolitan Parks Commission, with the date of completion, were as follows :*

#### Blue Hills Parkway.

- July 21, 1898. Neponset river to Brook road, Milton.
- May 8, 1900. Brook road to Canton avenue, Milton.
- July 22, 1903. Mattapan bridge and approaches, Boston and Milton.

#### Charles River Reservation.

- Aug. 31, 1899. Speedway and Soldiers' Field road, Brighton district, Boston.

- Dec. 15, 1900. Road from Washington street, Newton Lower Falls to Boylston street, Newton Upper Falls, Newton.
- Aug. 5, 1902. Charles River road, North Beacon to Riverside streets, Watertown.
- Oct. 29, 1904. Pleasure grounds, speedway, Brighton district, Boston.
- April 31, 1907. Boylston street bridge, Charles river reservation, Newton and Wellesley.
- Oct. 2, 1909. Arsenal road, Arsenal street to North Beacon street, Watertown.

**Fresh Pond Parkway.**

- Oct. 30, 1900. Mt. Auburn street to Huron avenue, Cambridge.

**Furnance Brook Parkway.**

- Dec. 31, 1905. Adams street to Blue Hills reservation, Quincy.

**Lynn Fells Parkway.**

- May 23, 1908. Middlesex Fells Reservation to Tremont street, Melrose.

**Lynnway.**

- July 31, 1906. Northern Circle to and including Saugus river bridge, Revere and Lynn.

**Lynn Shore Reservation.**

- Sept. 15, 1905. Humphrey street, Swampscott, to Prescott place, Lynn.
- Dec. 7, 1907. Prescott place to Washington street, Lynn.

**Middlesex Fells Parkway.**

- Sept. 30, 1896. Fellsway East, Pleasant street to Middlesex Fells Reservation, Malden.

- Aug. 31, 1898. Fellsway, Mystic avenue to Salem street and Pleasant street, Somerville, Medford and Malden.
- Nov. 8, 1899. Fellsway, Extension (from Mystic avenue) to Broadway, Somerville.
- Nov. 8, 1898. Fellsway West, Salem street to Forest street, Medford.
- Sept. 8, 1908. Fellsway West, Extension (from Forest street) to Elm street, Medford.

**Middlesex Fells Reservation.**

- Dec. 3, 1896. Border road, Bears Den Entrance in Malden, to Highland avenue, Medford.
- Sept. 7, 1897. Jerry Jingle Notch Road, Malden and Melrose.
- June 15, 1898. Bear Hill Entrance Road, Marble street, to Middlesex Fells Reservation, Stoneham.
- June 30, 1901. Whitmore Brook Entrance, from Winthrop avenue to Middlesex Fells Reservation, Medford.

**Mystic Valley Parkway.**

- Aug. 31, 1897. High street, Medford, to Walnut street, Winchester.
- Oct. 28, 1899. Extension from Main street (near Walnut street) to Middlesex Fells Reservation, Winchester.
- May 31, 1910. High street to Main street, Somerville, Arlington and Medford.

**Mystic River Reservation.**

- June 30, 1909. Additional span to Cradock bridge, boat lock, canoe rollway, etc.
- June 7, 1909. Fence on additional span and river walls at Cradock bridge.
- July 7, 1909. Sluice gates at Cradock bridge.
- Sept. 24, 1909. Boat lock gates at Cradock bridge.
- Oct. 19, 1909. Fence on boat lock piers at Cradock bridge.

**Nahant Beach Parkway.**

- Sept. 20, 1905. Nahant Beach Parkway, Nahant.  
May 15, 1907. Bridle path to Kennedy's point, Nahant.

**Naponset River Parkway.**

- May 1, 1905. Brush Hill road to Blue Hill avenue, Milton.

**Quincy Shore Reservation.**

- May 25, 1908. Atlantic street to National Sailors' Home,  
Quincy.

**Revere Beach Parkway.**

- Sept 30, 1899. Eliot Circle to Winthrop avenue, Revere.  
May 16, 1902. Winthrop avenue to Mill street, Revere.  
May 24, 1902. Mill street, Revere to Washington avenue,  
Chelsea.  
May 24, 1902. Washington avenue to Everett avenue, Chelsea.  
May 24, 1902. Everett avenue to Main street, Everett.  
July 31, 1905. Main street, Everett to Fellsway, Medford.

**Revere Beach Reservation.**

- June 30, 1898. Eliot Circle to Revere street, Revere.  
July 31, 1906. Revere street to Northern Circle, Revere.

**Stony Brook Reservation.**

- Sept. 1, 1898. Reservation road, West Glenwood avenue,  
Hyde Park, to Washington street, Boston.

**Winthrop Shore Reservation.**

- June 20, 1900. Grover avenue to Faun Bar avenue, Winthrop.

In 1899 the Legislature, by Chapter 465, authorized the building of Nantasket Beach Reservation, and provided in Section 4 of said Act that for the purpose of meeting the sinking fund and interest requirements for the loan authorized by this



Act, and to provide for the care and maintenance of the reservation taken under this Act, the Town of Cohasset shall be deemed as a part of the Metropolitan Parks District in the same manner, and to the same extent as cities and towns named in Section 3 of Chapter 407 of the Acts of 1893. The Town of Cohasset is situated beyond the fifteen mile circle, and is not a part of the Metropolitan Parks District, except as provided by this Act.

By decree of the Supreme Judicial Court, issued on the petition of the Metropolitan Parks Commissioners, which was filed on January 20, 1910, Ernest H. Vaughn of Worcester, Charles G. Bancroft of Natick and Fred H. Hall of Taunton were appointed Commissioners under Section 1 of Chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1899, to determine and make award of the proportions in which each of the cities and the towns in the Metropolitan Parks District should annually pay money into the treasury of the Commonwealth, beginning with the first day of January in the year 1910 until the first day of January in the year in which a new award is made, as provided for by said Act; to provide the amount for each of said years as estimated by the treasurer of the Commonwealth to meet the interest and sinking fund requirements therein provided for and to provide the amount required to meet the expenses of the Board of Metropolitan Parks Commissioners and of the care, maintenance and operation of the parks, reservations, boulevards and other works acquired, cared for and controlled by said Board, as therein provided, and the deficiency if any in the estimates and payments for the preceding year as found by said treasurer, and to do and perform all other duties prescribed for them by said Act, and by Chapter 464 of the Acts of 1899, entitled an Act to authorize the Metropolitan Parks Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent land and waters by Chapter 465 of the Acts of 1903, entitled an Act to authorize the construction of a dam across the Charles River between the cities of Boston and Cambridge, as amended by Chapter 402 of the Acts of 1906, entitled an Act relative to the Charles River basin, and by other Acts of the Legislature imposing powers

and duties upon said Commissioners, and to exercise all powers thereby and by law reposed upon said Commissioners by any and all Acts of the Legislature.

May 25th, 1910, this Commission gave notice that they would hear all parties in interest on June second, 1910, and thereupon the thirty-nine cities and towns which comprise the District appeared and thirty-three cities and towns took active part in the hearings. The time occupied by the hearings was approximately twenty days, but the hearings were not continuous, and the final hearing was held late in September. Like the previous Commissions which had apportioned the cost, this Commission adopted a formula of its own. In the matter of Parks it took valuation as the basis of its assessment, but divided the District into three classes. Against the first class which they deemed directly benefited, they apportioned sixty per cent of the cost; against the second class they apportioned twenty-five per cent and the third class fifteen per cent. In the matter of boulevards one-half of the interest and sinking fund requirements and one-half of the expense of the care and maintenance, and one-half of the office and running expenses of the Metropolitan Park Commissions occasioned by roadways and boulevards are by Statute paid by the Commonwealth, the other half by the cities and towns in the Metropolitan District. The Commission apportioned one-quarter of the District's half to the cities and towns having Metropolitan boulevards within their territory in the proportion which the mileage of the same in each city and town bears to the total mileage of the Metropolitan boulevards and the remaining three-quarters of such balance is apportioned on the cities and towns within the District according to the several valuations thereof, as fixed by Statute for the year 1910. In the matter of Nantasket Beach Reservation, Cohasset was included like other cities and towns within the District and the apportionment made according to the several valuations as fixed by the Statute for the year 1910.

The Commission determined and made award that all expenses of maintenance of Charles River dam and basin and other work incurred under Chapter 465 of the Acts of 1903, as amended by

Chapter 402 of the Acts of 1906, or by other Acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, should be borne by the cities and towns in the Metropolitan Park District in proportion to which the valuation of each bears to the total valuation of the district.

The cost of a suitable temporary bridge to replace Craigie Bridge between Boston and Cambridge was apportioned to the city of Boston and the city of Cambridge. Broad and Lechnere Canals were apportioned fifty per cent to the city of Cambridge and fifty per cent to the cities and towns in the Metropolitan District, including the city of Cambridge, in proportion to the valuation as fixed by Statute for the year 1910. Boston Embankment and Park was by law apportioned to the city of Boston, and the Commission found the cost of it to be eight hundred forty-seven thousand six hundred thirty-six dollars and forty-three cents (\$847,636.43). Boston Marginal Conduit was apportioned sixteen and two-thirds per cent of the entire sum expended, viz: six hundred forty-two thousand, five hundred seventy-nine dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$642,579.99) to the city of Boston and the remainder of said cost to the cities and towns in the Metropolitan Parks District including Boston, according to the valuation as fixed by Statute for the year 1910.

Cambridge Marginal Conduit cost was fixed at one hundred one thousand, nine hundred nine dollars and twenty-eight cents (\$101,909.28) was apportioned sixteen and two-thirds per cent of the total cost to the city of Cambridge and the remainder of the cost to the cities and towns in the Metropolitan Parks District including Cambridge, according to valuation, as fixed by Statute for the year 1910.

The basin, dam, and other works were apportioned to the cities and towns in the Metropolitan District in proportion to valuation as fixed by Statute for the year 1910.

The proportion in which the Town of Swampscottis required to pay for the period of the next five years, according to this apportionment, are beginning with the year 1910, as follows: for Parks .00481 as against .00531 of the last previous apportionment; for Boulevards .00363 as against .00398 of the last previous apportionment; Nantasket beach .00482 as against

.00529 of the last previous apportionment, and for the necessary office expenses of the Metropolitan Parks Commission, the care and cost of maintenance and all other lawful charges with reference to Charles river dam and basin excepting therefrom sinking fund and interest requirements for the term beginning January 1, 1910 until the first day of January in the year in which a new award is made, as provided by law, .00484, and for the sinking fund and interest requirements of the Charles river dam, basin and other work connected therewith, for the term beginning January 1, 1910, until the first day in the year in which a new award is made as provided by law .00432, so that the percentage to be paid under the last award is slightly less than that paid heretofore, but the amount required of the Town of Swampscott will necessarily be increased for the reason that the cost of the Charles River Water Park is a new element of expense.

There was no increase in the debt of 1910, but it would seem inevitable that the debt will continue to increase, and unless guarded persistently probably the increase will be more rapid than the reduction by payment into the sinking fund. Each year legislation for further work and further appropriation to be charged to this District is asked for. Last year the Committee on Metropolitan affairs reported adversely on I think all legislation of this sort. At any rate, no Act was passed by the Legislature to authorize an increase of the debt.

At the present time nearly all the cities and towns within the District are aroused to the seriousness of the problem. Many cities and towns are actively opposing any legislation involving an expenditure of money to be charged to the District, for the burden of this debt has already arrested municipal development, and many cities and towns are staggering under its weight. Unless, however, the law regulating apportionment is amended, by changing the responsibility for the debt, further debts will be authorized as sure as there is a Metropolitan Parks District. Even if there are no additions to the District, the expense of maintenance and renewals will increase year by year as time

goes on and the cost will be too great to be taken care of by direct assessment.

After the study we have made we are impressed by the fact that although the apportionment probably is far from an exact equitable division of the cost and maintenance of the system, the great hardship comes from the fact that no division however made could relieve the cities and towns as a whole from the crippled condition which exists in many instances as a result of the burden imposed by the Metropolitan Parks legislation.

The development of the Metropolitan Parks District although perhaps beneficial beyond the comprehension of most of us, yet falls short of conferring a benefit commensurate with its cost. Posterity will in time doubtless derive the full measure of benefit anticipated by those responsible for the legislation. The benefit of the Parks is far more broad than the limits of the District. Revere Beach and Nantasket Beach Reservations are essentially State reservations, though constructed and maintained at the expense of the District. The construction of the Charles River Park so called, should never have been permitted at the expense of the District, as a part of the Metropolitan Parks System. This so called Water Park was created primarily for the purpose of abating a nuisance which existed in the bed of the Charles River, and affected the Cities of Boston and Cambridge, and should have been paid for by these two cities, and by the Commonwealth at large rather than by the Metropolitan Parks District.

In this era of automobiles, every part of the Parks system is used and enjoyed by citizens resident of every part of the Commonwealth. Nevertheless, those cities and towns not included in the District pay no part of the cost. There is great occasion for legislation to remedy the existing condition, and the Legislature alone have the power to afford the remedy. There are many forms of legislation under which the condition might be improved upon, such as requiring the state as a whole to pay a portion of the debt, or if this would be inequitable, legislation authorizing an apportionment of the cost throughout the Commonwealth would afford a means of equalizing the burden and making an apportionment which would be just and



equitable. Such legislation, however, is difficult to secure, and can be done only by concerted action of all cities and towns within the District. If all the cities and towns within the District would take the matter up, however, and act as a unit, it is probable that legislation along these lines could be secured.

Respectfully submitted,

PARSONS & BOWEN.



## Report of the Board of Selectmen.

### *To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your Selectmen submit herewith the following report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1911, together with recommendations for the consideration of the Town at the Annual Meeting.

On March 21, 1911, the Board of Selectmen, consisting of Clarence B. Humphrey, Elias G. Hodgkins, and James F. Caton, met and organized as follows: Chairman, Clarence B. Humphrey; clerk, Charles G. Rowell.

The Board of Selectmen consists of three members, one of which is elected at the Annual Town Meeting hereafter held on the third Monday of February in each year, to serve for a term of three years. The regular meetings are held Friday evenings in the Selectmen's Room, Town Hall, at 7.30 o'clock.

### **Bonds of Town Officers.**

The bond of the Town Treasurer amounting to \$15,000, the Collector of Taxes amounting to \$10,000, and the Water and Sewer Commissioners amounting to \$3,000 each are all given by the American Security Company of New York and continued in force to May 1, 1913.

The bond of the Town Constable, amounting to \$1,000 is given by Eben B. Phillips et al.

### **Contracts.**

Bids received as follows, price accepted and contract awarded shown thus (\*).

Coal — The several departments furnished are: — Town Hall, Police, Fire, Sewer and Water, Schools, and Outside Poor.

Bids received on basis of 400 tons Egg or Broken, 150 tons George's Creek or New River and 50 tons Burnside.

	Sprague, Breed, Stevens & Newhall.	George S. Briggs.	*Honors, Holder & Sons.
Egg . . .	6.50	6.66	6.30*
Broken . . .	6.00	6.15	5.70*
George's Creek .	4.25	4.25	3.85
New River . .	4.25		4.15
Burnside . . .	7.25	7.30	6.60*

Curbstones — \*M. McDonough, straight, .65 per foot on work: 8 inch hammered face, .70 per foot on work: curved, .85 per foot on work: 8 inch hammered face, .90 per foot on work.

G. F. Ames & Co., straight, .65 per foot: curved, .65 per foot: 8 inch hammered face, .70 per foot.

Peabody Granite Co., straight, .62 per foot f. o. b. Swampscott: straight, .68 per foot on work.

Rockport Granite Co., straight, .71 per foot: 8 inch hammered face, \$1.00 per foot.

#### Tar Concrete.

\* J. H. McLaughlin,—

New or Relaid . . .	.42 per square yard.
Best Quality . . .	.60 " " "
Skin Coat . . .	.27 " " "

#### Granolithic Work.

	Walks.	Driveways.
J. H. McLaughlin . . . .	\$1 80	\$1 98
David J. Sheehan . . . .	1 47	1 75
* M. McDonough . . . .	1 60	2 00

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\* Frank S. Whitten . . . . \$1 50 per page.

**Gypsy Moth Department.**

Mr. Everett P. Mudge was again appointed Superintendent and the work of the department has been carried on along the same lines as last year. Each property owner has the right to clean his own property as he deems best, subject to the approval of the Superintendent, which in some cases necessitates further work. The cost in any case of the work done by the Moth Department cannot exceed one-half of one per cent. of the assessed valuation which is added to the Tax bill. The amount charged in this manner was \$397.49 more than last year.

In the State fiscal year ending November 30, 1911, we were authorized to expend, if necessary, \$4,475.82. Amounts expended were as follows:

December 1, 1910 to January 31, 1911	.	.	.	\$455	87
January 31, 1911 to January 1, 1912	.	.	.	4.80	18
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				\$5,257	05
Private work as assessed	.	.	.	1.62	25
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Net amount expended.	.	.	.	\$3,633	80

In the State fiscal year ending November 30, 1912 it is stipulated that we may expend \$4,728.81. We recommend an appropriation of \$5,000 for the use of this department the coming year.

**Municipal Bonds.**

Following out the vote of the Town all bonds amounting to \$106,900 and issued this year, have been authenticated by the First National Bank of Boston, the expense for which was \$393 which included printing of bonds and their legality approved by Messrs. Ropes, Gray & Gorham. This method insures the Town that the bonds are in accordance with the vote and brings a better market price. On this issue seven bids were received, the highest being \$102,349 by Estabrook & Company, the total premium being \$2,511.08.

Under provision of Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1910 notes

issued in anticipation of taxes amounting to \$100,000 were authenticated by the State for the small sum of \$18.

#### Town Hall.

The work of painting and repairing the Town Hall for which \$500.00 was appropriated at the annual meeting, has been attended to. The bids for painting the outside were :

George H. Lampard . . . . .	\$286 00
John C. Thomas & Son . . . . .	295 00
Kezer & Clay . . . . .	303 00

The contract was awarded to George H. Lampard who also did the painting in the auditorium. Here the side walls were painted and the manner of lighting changed which has greatly improved the appearance of the room.

In the matter of the compensation of the Janitor, which was referred to us from the Town Meeting of June 21, 1911, we voted that the salary fixed at the annual meeting remain for this fiscal year, and that beginning January 1, 1912, it be \$18.00 per week.

#### By-Laws.

At the last annual meeting the Town voted to amend certain sections of its By-Laws subject to the approval of the Attorney-General. We print herewith those sections as amended, approved by the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth August 23, 1911, and published in a newspaper pursuant to Section 1 of Chapter 344 of the Acts of 1904. The amendment to Section 5 of Chapter 2 was refused on the ground that one meeting could not control the action of any subsequent meeting: Section 4 and 8 of Chapter 4, and Section 8 of Chapter 6, refused because the duties of the Town Accountant are defined in the Act under which he was appointed, namely,—Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910; and Sections 13 and 15 of Chapter 6, refused because the statutes provide for same.

By-Laws as amended.

## SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 2.

The Annual Town Meeting for the election of town officers shall be held on the third Monday of February in each year. The warrant for said Annual Meeting shall contain such articles as are required for raising and appropriating moneys, and for general and special town purposes. After the declaration of the votes for town officers, the meeting shall be adjourned to the Tuesday next thereafter at such time as the meeting may determine, when the remaining articles of the warrant shall be acted upon.

## SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER 3.

No contract or change of contract or order for labor or materials involving the expenditure of over \$500 from any appropriation shall be valid until countersigned by a majority of the Board of Selectmen and recorded in a book kept for the purpose. This section shall be written or printed upon every contract for the construction of any public work.

## SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 4.

The Selectmen shall, once each third year, or whenever there is a vacancy in the office of Town Accountant, appoint a competent accountant in accordance with the provision of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910, who shall perform the duties prescribed by said Chapter.

## SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 5.

There shall be appointed a Standing Committee on Ways and Means to consist of six citizens, no one of whom shall hold Town office at the time of his appointment or while serving on this committee: election to Town office shall terminate his membership on said Committee on Ways and Means. Upon the adoption of this Article the Moderator shall appoint the members of this Committee to serve for the following terms: two for one year, two for two years and two for three years; and at each Annual Town Meeting thereafter the Moderator shall appoint two

members to serve for a term of three years. The annual term shall be from the dissolution of the Meeting at which they were appointed to the dissolution of the Annual Meeting next following. The members of this Committee shall serve without pay. The Moderator shall fill any vacancy occurring in their number. The Committee on Ways and Means shall have access to all the books and vouchers belonging to the Town (unless otherwise provided by law).

#### SECTION 7 OF CHAPTER 6.

The financial year of the Town shall begin the first day of January and close the thirty-first day of December ensuing, and during the interval between the thirty-first day of December in each year and the time of making the next annual appropriations the Selectmen, in order to meet the liabilities of the several departments incurred in the carrying on of the work entrusted to them, shall have authority to make expenditures and payments from the treasury from any available funds therein and the same shall be charged against the next annual appropriation, but such expenditures and liabilities incurred shall be for the sole purpose of carrying on the actual running expenses of each department.

#### Streets.

We have had made this year, copies of which may be obtained at the Selectmen's office, a map of the Town compiled from available data which shows the habitable portions, location of public buildings and also streets accepted as compiled from the Town Clerk's records. The plans of these streets as accepted from time to time show stone bounds at angle points, the bounds are referred to in the street descriptions but were never set, which will necessitate relocating and reacceptance on new lines at some future time. The engineer informs us that about five hundred bounds will be needed to mark all the lines of our accepted streets. None of the plans show any profiles fixing the grades which is as important as the lines themselves, inasmuch as we are contemplating the expenditure of thousands of dollars



in permanent sidewalk construction. By a careful study of this map one can see that we as a Town were extremely fortunate to have such large tracts as the Stetson and Mudge estates, also the Phillips estate at Phillips Beach laid out as a whole by experienced men, who were generous in the width of their streets and park areas and in establishing through thoroughfares. When small areas are developed by individuals the tendency is to get narrow streets with dead ends or such development that would benefit them financially without regard to the development of the Town.

The manner of accepting and laying out streets where the Town is asked to appropriate money to grade same, was touched upon in our last year's report and we at this time recommend that a committee of five be appointed to study this subject, find out methods now in use by other municipalities and report with their recommendations, if any, not later than the next Annual Town Meeting.

Petition being on file for laying out Yawata street, Humphrey terrace, Tidd and Bertha streets, we caused plans to be made and viewed the premises on Dec. 8, 1911, subsequent to which at the Selectmen's Room we voted that action upon laying out same be laid upon the table.

#### **Street Watering and Oiling.**

The success we have had this season in keeping the dust down with light oils, such as tassoil and dustoline warrants the abandonment of water for this purpose and the use of oils altogether. All the streets of the Town previously watered can be covered with one application of tassoil for about \$1,500.00. The life of the oil is dependant upon the amount the street is used. Two applications per season would suffice for some streets while others would require three. The cost is five and one-half cents per gallon and the Company's claim is that one gallon will cover about five square yards, and will last at least ten weeks.

The claim of the Indian Refining Company amounting to \$941.34 for work done in 1910 has been settled for \$416.43. We recommend an appropriation of \$4,500 to be expended by the Selectmen in carrying out the above policy the coming year.

### **Metropolitan Affairs.**

In our report last year we touched upon the Metropolitan Park payments and the report of the Commission appointed to apportion the expense. The Town being a defendant in this case we were represented by counsel at all the hearings and the report of said counsel to us precedes this report. The placing of the expense of the Charles River Basin upon the Metropolitan district added \$2,692.95 to our Park tax the past year.

The report of the Metropolitan Plan Commission which is now printed and ready for distribution at the State House and carries with it an act to establish a Metropolitan Planning Board for a Metropolitan district, which includes Swampscott, is something that should interest the citizens of this Town and we advise that they obtain copies of same.

### **Town Accounting.**

The system of accounting now in use has proved a time-saver for the Selectmen at their meetings and at the same time expenditures are classified so that we can obtain the information wanted at short notice. The form of the report of the accountant, which this year will be for the eleven calendar months ending December 31, 1911, shows a radical change from that of previous years. In this system you will particularly notice that the expenses under the department headings are divided into groups or families to be used for comparative purposes from year to year and for making estimates: and that the balances are shown as all others.

We recommend that the office of Town Auditors be abolished as provided for in Chap. 624, Acts of 1910, and that the Selectmen be authorized to petition the director of the Bureau of Statistics to audit the books of the Town semi-annually as provided for in Chap. 598, Acts of 1910.

### **Report of Bureau of Statistics.**

The Town of Swampscott at a meeting held November 2, 1910, voted to petition the Director of the Bureau of Statistics,

under the provisions of Chapter 598 of the Acts of 1910, to cause such an audit of the Town's accounts to be made as would enable the installation of an accounting system for the Town in accordance with said act.

Mr. Edward H. Fenton, a Special Agent of this Bureau and an expert municipal accountant, was assigned to this duty. He began his investigation on December 5, 1910, by calling at the Town Accountant's office for the purpose of inquiring into the method of accounting in use at that time and in consideration of the vote of the Town and the fact that the accounts had been a short time previously audited by a certified public accountant, he made a limited audit, confining himself to the balancing and adjustment of accounts for the purpose of installing a system based upon the requirements of law.

After several conferences with the Selectmen certain changes in methods of making appropriations, together with certain changes in the Town's by-laws, were suggested and subsequently adopted at the Annual Town Meeting. Among these, was a provision for changing the ending of the fiscal year from January 31 to December 31. The annual appropriations as provided for at the Annual Meeting of 1911, were made up in accordance with a schedule following the uniform plan of classifying expenditures prescribed by this Bureau for the Cities and Towns of the Commonwealth, a copy of which I enclose. A brief outline of the principal features of the system which has been installed is as follows:

1. A complete set of books was opened for the Town Accountant, on the so-called "Revenue and Expense" basis, with analysis sheets for the proper classification of all receipts and payments, including those of the Sinking and Trust Funds.

2. It is provided that all bills for the payment of money from the Town Treasury shall first be approved by the official in charge of the appropriation against which the bill is to be charged. They are then to be sent to the Town Accountant, who, after examination, makes the entries on his books. A

Warrant is then drawn on the Treasurer by the Town Accountant, and after being approved by a majority of the Selectmen, it is sent to the Treasurer for payment.

3. It is provided that the Treasurer make a weekly report to the Town Accountant, on forms prepared for this purpose, of all moneys received by him during the week.

4. Forms have also been prepared for the Collector to report to the Town Accountant each payment made by him to the Treasurer, showing in detail the amount from each levy or commitment.

5. It is provided that the Assessors, on delivering a tax list and warrant to the Collector for collection shall also send to the Town Accountant a certified copy of their warrant to the Collector. They also send to the Town Accountant at the end of each month a list of all abatements made from each tax levy during the month.

6. It is provided that the Water and Sewer Commissioners shall report to the Town Accountant whatever bills for water rates, services and materials, or sewer assessments are sent out; also all amounts collected by them and paid to the Town Treasurer.

7. It is provided that whenever any official renders a bill for amounts due the Town, except the Collector and Water and Sewer Commissioners, such bill shall first go to the Town Accountant, who makes a record of the same in a book kept for the purpose.

8. It is understood that all moneys due the Town, excepting amounts to be collected by the Collector and Water and Sewer Commissioners, should be collected by the Town Treasurer, and in the event of money being collected by any other official, such official should pay the same to the Treasurer immediately and notify the Town Accountant of the amount, from whom received, and the source of receipt.

9. The Town Clerk should give the Town Accountant a certified copy of all votes of the Town appropriating money, or in any way affecting the finances of the Town.

If the Town's accounts are kept in accordance with the system as installed and if the duties of the Town Accountant are faithfully performed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910 and receipts and expenditures are reported in the Town Report in accordance with the classifications prescribed, I feel confident that the citizens should have available the information necessary to an intelligent handling of the Town's affairs in accordance with sound principles of municipal finance.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES S. GETTEMY,

*Director.*

### Statistics.

1. Cash in hands of Treasurer January 1, 1912,	\$123,302 53
Temporary Loan due January, 1913,	\$40,000 00
Balance due Schoolhouse Loan, .	80,192 28
	————— \$120,192 28
	————— \$3,110 25

2. The Accountant reports the borrowing capacity of the Town January 1, 1912, as \$81,510.51.

3. The Assessors' report shows the total valuation as of April 1, 1911, to be \$11,822,017.00.

4. The Accountant's report shows that on January 1, 1912, the Town Debt was \$273,150.00; Sewer Debt, \$192,200.00, and Water Debt \$181,851.39.

5. Table showing how the \$15.00 on each \$1,000 valuation is divided.

	1910	1911
State Tax . . . . .	\$1.31	\$1.24
County Tax . . . . .	1.37	1.28
Metropolitan Park Tax . . . . .	.51	.60
State Highway. . . . .	.01	.01
Notes, Bonds and Interest . . . . .	3.06	3.38
Town Expenses . . . . .	8.74	8.49
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	\$15.00	\$15.00

6. Every appropriation of \$12,040.15 meant \$1.00 on the tax rate.



Comparative Table of State Taxes.

	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911
State Tax . . . . .	\$9,920 00	\$13,640 00	\$11,160 00	\$14,905 00	\$14,905 00
County Tax . . . . .	10,209 90	11,973 09	13,633 14	15,647 33	15,485 85
Metropolitan Park Tax . . . . .	4,941 66	5,413 06	5,543 63	5,843 89	7,175 59
Totals . . . . .	\$25,071 56	\$31,026 15	\$30,336 77	\$36,396 22	\$37,566 44
Metropolitan Water Tax . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	9,547 88	10,651 30

**Licenses.**

Licenses were granted as follows :

**Victuallers.**

Frank H. Bradford	.	133	Humphrey street
T. B. P. Curtis	.	422	Humphrey street
Henry D. Palmer	.	241	Burrill street
John H. Peach	.	503	Humphrey street
George B. Watts	.	58	Humphrey street
Margaret Day	.	217	Burrill street
Lincoln House	.		Lincoln House court
Ocean House	.		Orient street
Hotel Preston	.		Atlantic avenue

**Junk.**

Louis Zletz  
Harry Sherman

**Pool Table.**

T. B. P. Curtis	.	422	Humphrey street
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**Pool Table and Bowling Alley.**

James D. Bentley	.	Burrill street
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**Actioneers.**

James L. Taylor  
Charles G. Woodbridge

To transport liquors under provisions of Chapter 421, Acts of 1906 :

Widgers' Express Co., Swampscott  
Portsmouth & Lynn Express Co.

### Humphrey Street.

At the last Annual Town Meeting the Selectmen were appointed a committee to consider the advisability of and formulate plans for increasing the width of this street between the monument and fish house.

One does not need to study conditions existing between these two points very long before he realizes the necessity for action of some kind. Coming from the west and northwest we have four avenues which converge at the monument, over which come vehicles on pleasure bent and others carrying on the business of the community, when suddenly they are bottled up, as it were, between two curbs twenty-eight feet wide in the middle of which we find a railway location. There is no relief from the congestion until we arrive at the fish house at easterly end of the Blaney Beach Reservation where we have two streets coming from the east, the one on the shore being used mostly for pleasure vehicles and the other for both.

From statistics gathered the past summer we submit the following interesting figures. Friday, August 22nd from 2 to 4 p. m., 397 automobiles, 84 carriages and 35 electric cars passed through the street and on Sunday, September 3d, during eight hours 2,263 automobiles, 264 carriages and 267 electric cars passed through the street. Our Chief of Police who is obliged to maintain patrolmen on this street at all times during the summer reports that automobiles pass at an average of 250 per hour. When one realizes that this is at the rate of four every minute or one every fifteen seconds no further argument is necessary as to the congested conditions.

The expense of keeping this street in condition from year to year is an unknown quantity. The present form of pavement where the travel is almost along the same lines will not last an entire season and there is not any form of oil surfacing that will stand this traffic of automobiles and freight combined. If the present width is maintained it would be economical to pave between curbs with some permanent substance such as granite blocks or brick upon a concrete base.

It is our opinion that the street should be widened to a width of not less than eighty feet, the details of the cross section to be determined later, and that being, as it is, a thoroughfare enjoyed by the district at large, that the State, County, the Street Railway and Town should share the expense of same in such proportions as may be decided to be equitable.

With the view of expediting matters that our Committee would have something tangible for the citizens to act upon at the Annual Meeting, the Selectmen and eleven others petitioned the County Commissioners as follows :

*To the County Commissioners of the County of Essex :*

Represent your petitioners that they are inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott in said county and that the way known as Humphrey street, in said Town, from Monument square, so called, at the junction of said Humphrey and Burrill streets, to the hay scales. so called, at the junction of Humphrey street and Puritan road is narrow and not of proper width for the public travel along the said way and consequently your petitioners respectively represent that common convenience and necessity require that the same may be altered, widened, straightened, or the lines thereof relocated or that the same be specifically repaired.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON.

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

DANIEL F. KNOWLTON,  
H. ASHLEY BOWEN,  
CHARLES G. ROWELL,

And eight others.

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

ESSEX, SS. COURT OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

October Term, to wit: November 22, 1911.

On the Petition aforesaid, Ordered, That said Petitioners give notice to all persons and corporations interested therein that said Commissioners will meet at the Town Hall in Swampscott on Tuesday, the twenty-sixth day of December next at 3 o'clock P. M., by publishing an attested copy of said Petition and of this order thereon in the Daily Evening Item of Lynn, a newspaper printed in Lynn, in said county, once a week for three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said twenty-sixth day of December. And also by serving the Town Clerk of the Town of Swampscott with an attested copy of said Petition and of this order, thirty days at least, and by posting up an attested copy thereof in two public places in said Town, fourteen days at least, before the said twenty-sixth day of December at which time and place said Commissioners will proceed to view the premises and make such order in relation to the prayer of said Petition as by law they may be authorized to do.

E. B. GEORGE, *Clerk.*

A true copy of Petition and Order thereon.

Attest: JAMES P. HALE.

*Assistant Clerk.*

A true copy. Attest:

EBEN T. BRACKETT.

*Deputy Sheriff.*

As a result of this hearing, at which no respondents appeared, it was evident that the widening and straightening was considered necessary, the parties present being more interested in the location of the new lines and the cost of this undertaking to the Town.

The time for filing Petitions with the Legislature expiring January 13, 1912, and that it might be made possible to accomplish something the coming year, the following bill has been filed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

SECTION 1. The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Essex is hereby authorized and directed to lay out and construct within one year after the passage of this act, a highway in the Town of Swampscott between Monument Square and the junction of Humphrey and Orient streets. Said highway shall be eighty feet wide, and shall include within its location Humphrey Street as now laid out, or so much thereof as shall be found practicable.

SECT. 2. The cost and expense incurred under the authority of this act shall in the first instance be paid by the Commonwealth, and the Treasurer and Receiver-General is hereby authorized and directed to borrow upon the credit of the Commonwealth, such sum or sums of money as may be required for the cost and expense, not to exceed the sum of two hundred thousand dollars. All money so borrowed shall be deposited in the State Treasury, and the Treasurer and Receiver-General shall pay out the same as ordered by said Board, and shall keep a separate and accurate account of all sums borrowed and expended, including interest.

SECT. 3. Said Board is hereby authorized to take in fee simple, or to acquire by purchase or otherwise, any lands with the



structures thereon and any property or property rights, including the location of any Street Railway Company, which in their judgment may be required in the construction of said highway. The said Board shall estimate and determine all damages that may be sustained by any person or corporation by the taking of land or other property or the injury thereto as aforesaid, but any person or corporation aggrieved by their determination may have his or its damages assessed by a jury in the same manner provided by law with respect to damages sustained by reason of the laying out of highways. Provided, however, that if the Street Railway Company or Companies now owning and operating Street Railways along said Humphrey street between said Monument Square and the junction of Humphrey and Orient streets, shall receive a location for a single track street railway on the new highway to be built under this act, the location on the new highway shall be accepted as full compensation for loss of the present railway location along said Humphrey street.

SECT. 4. When said highway is completed and the full cost and expense of the same including damages if any awarded under the preceding section are ascertained, the said Board shall file in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for the County of Essex, their report of the fact, together with a detailed statement of the amount of the cost and expense, whereupon, upon application of said Board or of any party interested, and after such notice as the Court may order, a hearing shall be had upon the approval and acceptance of said statement, and when the same has been approved by the Court, it shall be binding upon all parties interested.

SECT. 5. The cost and expense incurred under the provisions of this act approved by the Court as aforesaid, shall be borne as follows: 60 per cent by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 20 per cent by the County of Essex and 10 per cent by the Town of Swampscott, and 10 per cent by any Street Railway Company that may apply for and be granted a location along

said highway by the Town of Swampscott in the manner now provided by law, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall thereupon be reimbursed for such sums of money as shall have been expended under the provisions of this act, to the extent necessary to cause the cost and expense as aforesaid to be borne in the proportion aforesaid. Provided, however, that any sums that may be received from betterment assessments levied under the provisions of this act, shall be distributed as follows: 60 per cent to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 20 per cent to the County of Essex, 10 per cent to the Town of Swampscott, and 10 per cent to the Street Railway Company.

SECT. 6. Said Board may within a period of two years after the completion of said highway assess betterments under the provisions of Chapter 50 of the Revised Laws of this Commonwealth, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.

SECT. 7. For the purpose of meeting that portion of the expense which the Town of Swampscott will lawfully be required to pay under the provisions of this act, said Town may raise money by loans outside its debt limit, and may issue bonds, notes or script therefor. Said bonds, notes or script shall be signed by the Treasurer of the Town and countersigned by the Board of Selectmen; shall be payable within thirty years from the date thereof, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding 4 per cent per annum, and the County Commissioners of the County of Essex may borrow from time to time for the aforesaid purpose upon the credit of the County a sum not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars.

SECT. 8. The Town of Swampscott shall at the time of authorizing said loan, provide for the payment thereof by such annual proportionate payments, beginning not more than five years after the first issue of bonds, as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed by this act. and when a vote to that effect has been passed, a sum which will be sufficient to pay the interest as it accrues on said bonds, notes or script, issued as

aforesaid by said Town, and to make such payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of this Act, shall without further vote be assessed by the Assessors of said Town in each year thereafter in a manner similar to that in which other taxation is assessed under the provisions of Section 51 of Chapter 409 of the Acts of 1909, until the debt incurred by said Town is extinguished.

SECT. 9. This Act to take effect on its passage.

This bill may be withdrawn or amended to suit the wishes of the meeting and your Selectmen await further instructions.

#### Sidewalks.

During the past year there has been expended for sidewalks and curbstones about \$7,000. The petitions on hand if granted would amount to about \$3,000. In nearly every case we have adopted the granolithic walk in preference to tar and where the majority of estates on a street have petitioned for walks we have made it a continuous walk rather than to leave isolated pieces here and there, thus carrying out the policy suggested by the Town some years ago, the most notable cases being on Elmwood road, and Paradise road where there is one continuous walk for a distance of 1,600 feet.

Undoubtedly there will be numerous petitions filed within the next sixty days; and there being several streets where public necessity requires that this work be continued the question arises as to how much money the Town can afford and is willing to expend in any one year. If you wish this work done on a large scale in the next two years we would recommend an appropriation of \$30,000 to be known as the sidewalk fund which may be drawn from time to time by the Board of Selectmen to carry on this work. This money may be borrowed by a bond issue and under permanent improvements extended ten years, payable \$3,000 per year or by special act extended over a period of thirty years, payable \$1,000 per year.

**Morris Land.**

The option on the Morris property adjoining the Town Hall, which was for \$3,000, expires May 9, 1913, and the estate now being settled we recommend that the Town purchase this property and appropriate money for the same.

**Police.**

The following report made to us August 17, 1911, is in answer to Resolutions adopted at the Special Town Meeting of July 27, 1911.

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., August 17, 1911.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN,—As requested by you in accordance with the resolve passed at the last special Town Meeting for better police protection of our main thoroughfares I have placed one more regular man on duty in the daytime and used one special officer in the station from four until eight o'clock in the morning. This officer is on Humphrey street from twelve noon until eight in the evening. His beat covers from the Fish House to the Monument and I think the result has been very satisfactory both in keeping vehicles on the right hand side of the road and also going at a reduced rate of speed. Sundays I have had a night man come into the station and I myself have been at the Monument. I have also had two men on the street during Sundays. Under this arrangement it has only cost the Town about nine dollars a week extra and if this is satisfactory to the Board of Selectmen and the citizens I think I can continue under the same arrangement until the end of the summer season without any extra appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,

U. M. CORSON,

*Chief of Police.*

### Appropriations.

The following appropriations are recommended by the several departments for the current year.

## DEPARTMENTAL

### I. GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

Legislature . . . . .	\$ 300 00
Selectmen . . . . .	1,500 00
Auditing department . . . . .	1,200 00
Treasury department . . . . .	900 00
Collector's department . . . . .	800 00
Assessors' department . . . . .	1,700 00
Town clerk's department . . . . .	275 00
Law department . . . . .	500 00
Election and registration . . . . .	600 00
Engineering department . . . . .	1,500 00
Town hall . . . . .	2,200 00
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	\$11,475 00

### II. PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY.

Police . . . . .	\$10,000 00
Fire . . . . .	17,223 00
Sealer of weights and measures . . . . .	125 00
Forestry department	
Brown tail and gypsy moth exter-	
mination . . . . .	5,000 00
Tree warden . . . . .	550 00
Other protection	
Dog officer . . . . .	75 00
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	\$32,973 00

## III. HEALTH AND SANITATION.

Health department . . . .	\$2,550 00	
Sanitation		
Sewer maintenance . . . .	6,000 00	
Refuse and garbage disposal . .	3,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$11,550 00

## IV. HIGHWAY AND BRIDGES.

Highway department . . . .	\$19,700 00	
Sidewalk and curb maintenance . .	1,100 00	
Street construction . . . .	1,000 00	
Street watering and oiling . . . .	4,500 00	
Street lighting . . . .	10,950 00	
	<hr/>	\$37,250 00

## V. CHARITIES.

Poor department . . . .	\$3,500 00
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## VI. SOLDIERS' BENEFITS.

State aid . . . .	\$3,500 00	
Soldiers' relief . . . .	3,300 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,800 00

## VII. EDUCATION.

School maintenance . . . .	\$43,500 00
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## VIII. LIBRARIES.

Library maintenance . . . .	\$1,400 00
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## IX. RECREATION.

## Parks and Gardens.

Blaney's Beach . . . .	\$800 00	
Monument avenue . . . .	700 00	
Playground . . . . .	300 00	
Monument Lot . . . . .	50 00	
Metropolitan Park Maintenance assessment (as assessed) estimate,	3,000 00	
Memorial Day . . . . .	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,050 00

## X. UNCLASSIFIED.

Printing Town Reports . . . .	\$500 00	
Contingent Fund . . . . .	2,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 00

## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

## I. WATER DEPARTMENT.

Construction . . . . .	\$15,000 00	
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## II. CEMETERIES.

Maintenance . . . . .	\$1,625 00	
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## INTEREST

Temporary loans (estimate) . . . .	\$2,500 00	
General Debt . . . . .	10,500 00	
Sewer bonds . . . . .	7,200 00	
Metropolitan Park Inst. assessment (as assessed) estimate . . . .	3,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$23,700 00

**MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS**

General Debt . . . . .	\$25,550 00	
Sewer Bonds . . . . .	5,600 00	
Metropolitan Park Sinking Fund assessment (as assessed) estimate,	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$32,350 00

**AGENCY**

State Tax (as assessed) estimate .	\$15,000 00	
County Tax (as assessed) estimate .	15,700 00	
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		<u>\$259,873 00</u>

Respectfully submitted.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

January 1, 1912.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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S. PERRY CONGDON, Chairman . . . . .	1911-1914
41 Thomas road.	
ARTHUR W. STUBBS, Secretary . . . . .	1909-1912
74 Paradise road.	
J. HENRY WELCH . . . . .	1910-1913
38 Sheridan road.	

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## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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ELDRIDGE SMITH,

54 Boylston street, Cambridge, Mass.

OFFICE, ODD FELLOWS HALL, SWAMPSCOTT.

OFFICE HOURS: 3.45—4.45 P. M. on Tuesday and Thursday.

### **School Calendar.**

Winter Term of 1911, began December 27, 1911.

Spring Term, 1912, begins February 26, 1912.

Summer Term, 1912, begins April 29, 1912.

Fall Term, 1912, begins September 9, 1912.

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### **Holidays.**

Washington's Birthday, February 22.

Patriot's Day, April 19.

Memorial Day, May 30.

Bunker Hill Day, June 17.

Thanksgiving recess, from noon of the day before until the Monday following Thanksgiving Day.

Christmas Day.

Every ninth week following the opening of the schools after Christmas recess.

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### **No School Signal.**

If the signal, "2-2" is sounded on the fire-alarm at 7.20 A. M., the High School will open at 8.30 A. M., and the other schools at 9 A. M. If the signal is repeated at 7.50 A. M., no schools will be open for the forenoon. If "2-2" is sounded at 12.50 P. M., no schools will open in the afternoon.

## Report of the School Committee.

### *To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

The steady growth which marked the development of the schools for several years was again apparant last year. The situation was made a particularly difficult one because of the fact that a new school building, capable of accommodating the increase in pupils, was not ready to give the necessary relief. Steps were taken, however, during the year to provide a suitable building and whatever discomforts that parents, pupils and your Committee now experience are expected to disappear with the opening of the new structure next fall. The patience which the Townspeople has exhibited during the development of present conditions has been appreciated by your Committee which has striven to overcome the obstacles which have appeared to the best possible advantage.

When it was determined that the present Redington street site should be the location for the new building the School Committee was confronted with a serious problem. What to do with the approximately 300 pupils in the Redington Street School Building was a question not easily solved. Your Committee first considered the advisability or feasibility of moving the old structure to the edge of the sidewalk on Redington street and using it during the erection of the new building. This would have involved the excavation of a new cellar, the erection of a high fence on two sides of the building, reconstruction and rearrangement of the plumbing, and much other work of a minor nature. Expert building movers were called into consultation and it was found that the cost would be greater than would be involved in seeking

quarters elsewhere. In addition serious disadvantages would arise from juxtaposition with a building in the course of construction. The constant noise, the obliteration of much needed light, the constant danger to pupils and lesser considerations, led your Committee to view this proposition as impracticable.

Your Committee then turned its attention to securing temporary quarters elsewhere. Had it known the difficulties which were to present themselves, it might have been less enthusiastic in its proceedings. There did not appear a widespread desire to facilitate the work of the committee. In some quarters, however, your committee received encouragement; a manifestation of the thought that in some degree it was the duty of the townspeople to subordinate personal and private inconveniences to the uplift of the schools. The Methodist church society readily co-operated with your committee and arrangements were made to secure the vestry for school purposes. This entailed the installation of sanitary fixtures, electric lights, the erection of a partition to divide the vestry into two rooms, the introduction of two new windows and other minor work. Odd Fellows hall was rented and two rooms were prepared here. The Congregational church society voted to give the School Committee the use of its smaller vestry for another room. A sixth room was found in the vestry of the Burrill street church where connections had to be made with the sewer in order to provide the necessary sanitary arrangements. In all these buildings more or less remodelling had to be done in order to meet with the requirements of the conduct of the schools. Approximately the cost of temporary quarters, including rent and the installation of adequate fixtures, will be between \$2,500 and \$3,000. Other societies were approached, but the disposition was against lending the committee any assistance at the cost of personal inconvenience. By the exercise of strict economy your committee, which, at the end of the year had expended more than \$1,600 on these temporary quarters, was enabled to close its books with an additional appropriation of only \$500.

While the rooms mentioned in the foregoing provided for the pupils who would have attended the abandoned Redington



street school there was still the annual increase in school population to be cared for. For this purpose two more rooms had to be secured from some source. The local G. A. Post relinquished the use of its lower room for school quarters and the second room was secured in the W. C. T. U. building on Elmwood road. The cost of making these ready for school uses is included in the amounts stated above. Altogether this makes eight temporary rooms devoted to school purposes. With the abandonment of the old Beach school building of two rooms and further relief of some congestion in other school buildings, together with an expected increase of two rooms at the beginning of another school year, it is probable that at least thirteen of the sixteen rooms in the new building will be occupied. A report on the progress of construction of the new building will be given by the Schoolhouse Construction Committee.

The difficulty of securing and keeping competent teachers has been one of the problems that your committee has had to meet. Vacancies and the demand for new teachers gave the committee five positions to fill during the summer months. Four of these were in the grades and one in the high school. It is not exaggeration to say that the field was scoured for the best teachers obtainable. The fact that in many towns within a radius of twenty-five miles of Boston the teachers are paid larger salaries than we pay, made the situation particularly difficult. Seasoned teachers of marked attainments were not readily to be secured. These positions were not filled until a thorough examination of the qualifications of candidates had been made, and in a number of instances, in fact, wherever practical, the towns in which they had taught were visited. Notwithstanding this effort one of the teachers secured remained with us only a month when she was called elsewhere at a much higher salary than we could pay.

During the summer Mr. Thomas B. Ford, who had been our superintendent for a year, resigned to accept the position of dean of Lincoln Memorial University at Cumberland Gap, Tenn. Mr. Ford had been an efficient and painstaking superintendent and under his administration the schools had exhib-

ited marked progress. His resignation entailed upon the committee the duty of providing a new superintendent. As it was then late in the summer immediate action was necessary in order that the new superintendent be given time with which to familiarize himself with the system and its many details. Many candidates appeared, but in Mr. Eldridge Smith, your committee believed to be the one best qualified to cope with the situation here. Mr. Smith is a graduate of Syracuse University and received the highest recommendations among those whose names were submitted to us by Harvard University, where he had taken a special course in school supervision.

Notwithstanding the difficulties attending the conduct of the schools during the past year the work has proceeded with a considerable degree of satisfaction to the school authorities. Steps have been taken to make improvements whenever opportunity has appeared. Though it has been an inauspicious year in which to inaugurate a system of double promotion a beginning has been made and is more fully described in the report of our superintendent. When the new school building is opened it is expected that this new venture will be greatly facilitated and its results appreciated by the parents. With the opening of the new building your committee will be surrounded with the many details of organization which necessarily follow a radical departure from existing conditions. New districts will have to be arranged and many minor changes made. After the school has advanced sufficiently to be in thorough operation your committee hopes to take up the question of a wider distribution of manual training and the ultimate introduction of domestic science for the girl pupils of our schools. Your school committee fully appreciates the value of vocational training and is looking forward to the time when steps may be taken to give the boys and girls of our schools the advantages which accrue from an elementary understanding of many of the pursuits of life.

Your committee has been conscientious in its zeal to promote the welfare of the schools. It has openly approached every problem that has appeared and can truthfully say that it has proceeded with nothing but the best interests of the entire system

in mind. Fortunately the School Department of this town has been free from political entanglements and personal interests. If mistakes have been made they have not been due to the operation of improper influences.

During the past year Henry B. Sprague gave further evidence of his interest in the schools of Swampscott and his public spirit. Notwithstanding the fact that he made possible the inauguration of a manual training department in the High School by presenting the school with the necessary machinery to fulfill its objects he has continued his interest in this branch of the work and early in the year gave the school a large wood turning lathe. It is the expression of such interest as this, even if it does not always take the form of financial assistance, that gives the school committee encouragement in its work. Your committee is pleased to say that there has been a general disposition to support the committee in its labors in behalf of the schools. The committee expects some criticism but does not believe the average citizen of public spirit will sustain any person in berating conditions which they have not personally investigated or sought to bring to the attention of the school authorities.

Your Committee welcomes a larger visitation of the various schools. It is only by personal contact with the work that a parent can secure a proper conception of what is being done for the education of the children. We believe that the work of the School Committee, the Superintendent and the teachers has been accompanied by substantial and satisfactory results. The appropriation of the school department has been expended with a view of getting full value, and the slightest indication of wastefulness in any branch of the work has received prompt attention.

We hope the townspeople will continue to give the School Committee its help in this most important department of the Town's affairs. By coöperation with the School Committee, the Superintendent and the teachers, the best results can be obtained. Swampscott is already receiving attention from other towns on account of the efficiency of its educational system, and it is our desire to continue to improve and elaborate until the

graduates of the Swampscott schools are as well equipped for the battle of life as those of any other town or city in the state. Thanking you for your attention, we are,

S. PERRY CONGDON, *Chairman*,  
ARTHUR W. STUBBS,  
J. HENRY WELCH.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

### *To the Members of the School Committee:*

During the past year a radical change was made in the accounting of the School Department in order to meet with the requirements of the State Board of Education: The State Board, after much study and preparation, devised a system of accounting for the towns and small cities of the state and this system was adopted by the School Committee of Swampscott. It has many advantages chief among which is that of a uniform system throughout the state. A summary of the School Department's expenses for the eleven months ending, December 31, 1911, is as follows:

	General	High	Elementary
School Committee . . .	\$428 65		
Superintendent . . .	1,082 12		

### EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION.

Supervisor . . .	930 00		
Principals . . .		\$1,750 00	\$1,950 00
Teachers . . .		4,960 00	12,506 80
Text books . . .		392 47	860 38
Stationery, supplies . .		448 18	791 17

### EXPENSES OF OPERATION.

Janitors . . .		720 00	1,990 00
Fuel . . .		701 42	1,886 73
Miscellaneous . . .		43 97	219 22

### MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOLS.

Repairs, Water, etc. . .		310 19	319 64
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## AUXILIARY.

	General	High	Elementary
Libraries . . .	\$72 99		
Health . . .	211 75		
Transportation . .	249 00		

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Tuition . . .	40 44
Sundries . . .	1,010 88

## OUTLAYS.

Grounds, bridges, alt. . .	1,186 46		
New equipment . . .	1,466 73		
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	\$6,679 02	\$9,326 23	\$20,503 94
Total . . . . .			\$36,509 19

Under this system the expenses of the High School are separated from those of the Elementary. An analysis of the figures shows that the average cost of educating the pupils of the High School is \$53.87 a year while that of the Elementary is \$23.47. Taking the entire cost of the School Department into consideration, including repairs, equipment and alteration, the average cost, reckoned on the basis of a year, for all the pupils of the schools is \$34.81.

During the eleven months ending December 31 there was considerable unusual expense owing to the necessity of providing quarters for the pupils who attended the Redington street school. In addition to this the salaries of all the teachers in the elementary grades were raised fifty dollars a year making the maximum salary \$650 instead of \$600. The appropriation granted this department was \$36,000 for the eleven months. In addition to this an appropriation of \$500 was allowed in December to care for a part of the extraordinary expense entailed in providing temporary school rooms.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. STUBBS.



## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

*To the School Committee of the Town of Swampscott:*

GENTLEMEN,— I have the honor to submit for your consideration, my first annual report.

During the last year the Swampscott Schools have again suffered from a change of Superintendents. In August Mr. Ford resigned to accept the Deanship of Lincoln Memorial University, Cumberland Gap, Tennessee. This position demanded that he leave Swampscott immediately. After my election, he was able to spend but a half-day with me and to give a mere outline of what he had planned for the coming year.

From the list of teachers found in this report, it will be noticed that a number of changes have been made. In the High School, Miss Haskell resigned at the close of the year and was succeeded by Miss Willis; Miss Smith, in October, and was succeeded by Miss Mann. Both of these teachers are graduates of Wellesley. In the Clarke School, Miss Oliver resigned and was succeeded by Miss Lusk, Miss Wentworth, and was succeeded by Miss Wanzer, a graduate of Danbury Normal School. In September, Miss Lusk left us to accept a better position. Miss Webber, a graduate of Rhode Island Normal was secured to take her place. On account of the large number of fifth and sixth grade pupils in the Redington and Clarke Schools, it was found necessary to establish two new grades. Miss Lewis and Miss Austin, both graduates of Salem Normal School, were secured for these positions.

The Redington School opened under serious difficulties. In August the Town voted to build the new school building on the site of the old one. This made it necessary for the School Committee to secure new quarters for the six grades of the Redington School. Accommodations also had to be secured for the two new grades mentioned above.

Through the strenuous endeavors of all concerned suitable rooms were provided as follows :

- Grade VI. Odd Fellows' Hall.
- Grade VI. (new) G. A. R. Hall.
- Grade V. Church of Christ.
- Grade V. (new), W. C. T. U. Hall.
- Grade IV. Congregational Church.
- Grade III. Odd Fellows' Hall.
- Grade II. Methodist Church.
- Grade I. Methodist Church.

For the last few years lack of room has caused much trouble to the school system. Last year it was found advisable to have two seventh grades in the Clarke School and to transfer the pupils of the second to either the Machon or Redington. This year we are compelled to have two eighth grades and to transfer the third. This state of affairs, coupled with the disorganized condition of the Redington School broke down our district boundaries. The seventh grade, Clarke, was so overcrowded that we were forced to send some of the pupils to the Beach School. Transfers and retransfers had to be made in order to furnish suitable accommodations. In all of these changes, however, even when a change meant for the child a longer distance to walk, the people of Swampscott have shown a coöperative spirit.

Owing to my short acquaintance with your system, it is hardly fitting for me to try to review the work of the last year or to offer any radical changes. Under the management of Mr. Ford and Mr. Pelo and a faithful and conscientious corps of teachers your schools have developed into a well-arranged, well-organized, and well-administered system. Better could have been done under better conditions. With the awakened interest in our schools which has been shown especially in the last year, we can look for greater things and hope that our system will become second to no system of its size. I wish, however, to offer some suggestions.

### Grading.

The graded school has become so common and dates back so far that we have almost forgotten what is the purpose of grading. Grading rests on two great principles.

1. A teacher can more easily, more economically and more satisfactorily administer and conduct a group of children who are of comparatively the same rather than of different mental ability and standing.

2. A pupil can accomplish more when put at tasks which are within his grasp than at those which are beyond him.

Parents in their zeal to push a child forward, or because their neighbor's child is in such and such a grade, or because their child is of a certain age or size, sometimes desire that the boy or girl be placed in a certain grade. A mother asked me to put her daughter in the Eighth grade, although she had been out of school several months, and had spent only a few weeks in the Seventh grade, simply on the grounds that the children of the Seventh grade were so "young and small." On the other hand, teachers and sometimes parents believing in the hard and fast rule that each child, regardless of his mental development, should spend one year in each grade, keep a boy where nothing challenges his best endeavor. Such conceptions of grading miss the purpose entirely. Grading rests upon a psychological and not a physiological basis. We must put a boy in a certain grade, not because of his age or his height or his weight or all three combined, not because his friend is in such and such a grade, not because he has never been in the Second or Third or any grade, but because he feels at home in the mental atmosphere of the place, because he understands what the teacher is talking about and because he will find something worth while to do. When we take the foregoing principles as the true basis for grading, there is no reason for allowing the terms "promotion" and "put back" to take the predominant place in our theory. It is not a question of "promotion" or "putting back," but of transferring the child to the grade where he can get the most good.

In the last annual report Mr. Ford suggested that a scheme of

semi-annual promotion be introduced. He specified the need and advantages in all of which I most heartily agree. In carrying out the plan each grade teacher must have at least two divisions. In the first grade there will be more than two, but for administrative reasons it is not advisable to divide other grades further. In February, pupils who manifestly are able to complete what we consider to be the work of the year will be called group A: those who do not appear to be capable and are dragging along, will be allowed to repeat the work of the first half of the year. This group will be called group B. If there are any pupils of a lower grade who are able to begin the work of a higher, they will be transferred and allowed to do so. Next June the process will be repeated.

Such a scheme has a three-fold advantage.

1. The pupil, who through sickness, physical or mental disability, is unable to keep up with the group, will have an opportunity to go over the work and thus gain a half year. For instance, suppose Anna K. was out the month of November on account of sickness. Evidently she has lost much school work. It is not probable that she may be able to do the full year's work. Under the old scheme, she would come to school the rest of the year, be a misfit and not be promoted in June. She would have to start all over again the next September. What could be more discouraging? Under the new scheme she would be able to find a place in February. When June came she would not have to look back upon a year's failure but upon a half year's success.

2. The child who is more fortunate or who receives help at home has a good chance of advancing to the next division. Why should we keep him dallying along in work which is easy for him? Why not put him at something worth doing?

3. By this scheme we may have an entering class in February. Heretofore, children whose fifth birthday came after October 15, were not admitted. Nearly a whole year was thus lost. By promoting from the first grade in February, we thus give an opportunity for a new entering class.

We cannot expect great changes to take place this year. We can only make a beginning. Such a scheme, because of its in-

herent nature under the best of circumstances can only be introduced gradually. Eventually, I hope to see approximately as many pupils transferred and as many enter in February as in June.

### Physical Education.

It has been said that America does not know how to play. The fact that we are losing this art has been forcibly brought home to me as I have visited your schools. There seem to be practically no organized games. Such old-fashioned games as duck-on-the-rock, two hole-cat, etc., apparently are of little interest or are unknown. The only game which awakens any interest is football and even this is not played in any organized form. I have been told that in a neighboring city there are boys who do not know how to play the ancient game of marbles.

This condition is not local. It is being felt throughout the country. Professionalism is killing the true play-spirit. As a people we are satisfied to be observers and not actors.

It needs no argument to prove that this is a serious state of affairs. Play is the natural outlet for surplus animal energy. Especially is it needed during the pre-adolescent period. It is by running, jumping, laughing, shouting, that the lungs are expanded, the heart quickened, the muscles strengthened. Under the best of circumstances school attendance is detrimental to the health. Compulsory education should not mean compulsory ill health. "What doth it profit a child to gain the world of knowledge if one lose his own health?" The growth of vital organs should be stimulated.

Play trains in co-operation and loyalty. School games, especially in the elementary school should not be confined to the few pupils who are the best physically developed. Every boy and girl should find a place. Football because of its selective tendency is not a good game for the grades.

Play is a help in discipline. Every one agrees the "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" yet we fail to put our opinion into practice. Play brightens the eye and stimulates the brain. Under our graded system where almost stern discipline



is demanded, the nervous strain is appalling. In my opinion every session should have at least fifteen minutes of vigorous play in the open air. I would recommend this even if the length of school days must be lengthened.

Children inherit the play instinct but do not inherit games. Unless they are guarded the instinct becomes depraved and wastes itself in empty frivolity. When boys find no higher amusement than to jerk caps, and girls no better pleasure than to loll about the door, time and opportunity are being wasted. Under the present conditions, it is absolutely necessary that the teacher take part in the children's play. The teacher should be the best player of all. She should be able, capable, and willing to play. She should be found on the playground just as often as the most athletic pupil.

#### Teachers' Salaries.

During the last year, the teachers' salaries have been raised. The spirit in which you did this clearly revealed that you believed an increase was necessary. A teacher who is worth less than six hundred dollars is of very little use to our system. If we want the best teachers, those who can inspire and guide our children, and who look upon the training of the young as the holiest of callings, we must see to it that their salaries are in some degree commensurate with the services rendered.

A uniform increase of salary is not enough. Teachers are not of the same value. There are degrees of usefulness. The teacher who is merely holding the position until something better is offered or until marriage, who never gives a thought for school work outside of school hours, certainly is not as valuable to the school system as the one who is ever trying to improve instruction and better scholarship. What inspiration is there for the teacher to pursue higher education if she feels that the teacher who does nothing, reads nothing, cares nothing, virtually fixes her salary. It is true that professional zeal ought to inspire, but it is also true that the hope of financial reward often does quite as much. A teacher's salary should not be



fixed by the length of service, neither by the grade nor subjects taught, but by the merit based upon the following :

1. Management of children. Good discipline is and always will be a necessary qualification for a good teacher.

2. Instruction. This would include power to secure honest work ; mode of questioning and getting replies ; skill in imparting ; and method of assigning and conducting recitations.

3. Scholarship. Every teacher from the lowest grade to the High School should bring to play upon her work, the highest scholarship. While it may not be possible at present to demand it, yet I think that we ought to look forward to the time when every teacher elected must be a college graduate with Normal School or its equivalent training.

4. Professional zeal. The teachers of Swampscott are fortunate in having at hand many means for increasing their professional skill, such as lectures, extension courses, Saturday courses, libraries, etc.

5. Attention to details of school affairs. A good teacher attends to her business, is willing and an intelligent supporter of the rules of the School Committee, shows executive ability, takes care of the school property, and is amenable to higher officials.

6. Personal qualifications. The good teacher is courteous and considerate, and is willing to coöperate with the parent, the community, and fellow-teachers.

By fixing all teachers' salaries upon a merit system and by doing away with the maximum salary, we are likely to keep the best teachers in our school. As Mr. Loker has remarked in his report, it is invariably the teachers whom we most need, who are elected to better positions.

#### **Vocational Education.**

Because of the changing of our agricultural, industrial, commercial, and professional life, new demands are being made upon our schools. The apprenticeship system is fast passing away. The farm, the shop, the office no longer want apprentices. They are calling for young men and women who know

how to do things. Formerly the school prepared for a further training; to-day it must give that training.

One phase of this movement I wish to draw to your special attention, namely vocational guidance. The choosing of a life-work is the most critical event in a boy's life. He must choose, but choose what? Unless guided, he is likely to fall into that mass of unskilled occupations, such as an elevator boy, from which it is so hard to rise. For two or three years he may drift from one shop or office to another, wasting valuable time, and later find himself too old to learn a trade or profession whereby he may lead an efficient, useful, and happy life. It is the business of the school to save such from wasted and unproductive lives. By this I do not mean that the school should choose a vocation for a child. This is impossible. Instead, I mean that the school should provide every possible means so that the pupil may choose wisely and well. The teacher should be the best guide. The parent is often blinded by love for the child, or is unacquainted with the great world occupations and movement, while the vocational expert is unacquainted with the child's characteristics.

While vocational guidance is needed throughout all grades above the primary, and throughout the High School, yet it is most needed in the upper grammar grades, because it is from there that most pupils leave school. This matter should be approached in two ways, first by presenting at stated intervals instructions on the great vocational activities with which we are surrounded, what kind of training is best suited for them, etc: second, by personal conference with the boys and girls.

Among the problems which you will consider this year, I believe that those of promotion, school athletics, salaries and vocational guidance deserve an important place. The problem of promotion is being solved. It seems to me that in the matter of salaries it would be wise to make a minimum salary of six hundred dollars and to do away with the maximum salary, paying a teacher on the basis of what she is worth to the system. Physical education at present is practically neglected. Mr. Loker in his report offers what I consider a good solution of this

problem. This, coupled with the coöperation of the teaching corps ought to do much. As a help to vocational guidance I would recommend that in each of the upper grammar grades a vocational library consisting of charts, reports, catalogues, etc., be established and that at least one class room period per month be given to a discussion of vocational questions.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the school committee, the teachers and the parents for their help and advice.

Respectfully submitted,

ELDRIDGE SMITH.

## Report of Principal of High School.

*Mr. Eldridge Smith, Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR,—I respectfully submit my fifth annual report for the Swampscott High School.

### Teachers.

Several changes in the teaching force have been made since my last report. At the close of the school year in June, Miss Alice F. Haskell, teacher of mathematics, tendered her resignation, to be married. Mr. William F. Eastwood who had charge of the work in manual training, also at the same time resigned in order to give more time in another town where he was employed on part time. In November of the fall term, Miss M. Lillian Smith, the head of the English Department, resigned to accept a position in the Dorchester High School at a greatly increased salary. The departure of Miss Smith will be a great loss to the school. During the period of four years which she had been connected with the school, the work in her department has shown steady improvement and the thoroughness of preparation is attested by the success of college preparatory pupils during this period.

Miss Ruby Willis, a graduate of Wellesley College, was elected to succeed Miss Haskell, and Miss Dorothea L. Mann, also a graduate of Wellesley, took up the work in English at the beginning of the winter term. These new teachers have entered upon their new work with enthusiasm and apparent success. Mr. S. P. Congdon was secured to take charge of the work in manual training. His long experience with school conditions, coupled with many years of practical experience in shop work and handling men, is producing noticeable improvement in this department. This school is very fortunate to have such a man in charge of this work.

A study of the average cost per pupil for instruction in the High School for the past six years shows scarcely any increase during this period, and that for the year, 1911-1912 it was practically

the same as in the year, 1906-1907. The maximum paid to the teachers in the High School has been increased but fifty dollars during the past ten years. Each year it is becoming more difficult to secure and retain the services of desirable teachers in competition with other towns and cities. It is almost invariably true that those teachers who resign to accept better salaries are the ones whom we most need in Swampscott. If all our teachers were as efficient as the best, the average grade would be raised immensely. I believe the only practical way to accomplish this higher average is by individual discrimination and selection. Let all vacancies, however caused, be filled with teachers of apparently superior ability and training, engaged with a full understanding that marked success will be the only condition of their retention and advancement. I would then do away with the idea "maximum salary." Let it be a flexible quantity and be in proportion to service rendered, not the length of service. The citizens of our Town expect from our school the same results obtained in towns and cities paying much greater salaries. In order to secure such results we should at once increase the salaries of efficient teachers as often and as much as is merited.

### The School.

The total enrollment since September, 1911, has been 195, as compared with 179 of a year ago. The prospect of a very large entering class in September indicates that over 225 pupils will be in attendance in another year. It will be necessary to secure at least one more teacher in order to handle the increased work and relieve somewhat the present teachers of their heavy programs.

I know of no High School in the State the size of the Swampscott High School in which there are not one, two, or three submasters. It is absolutely necessary for boys to come in contact with men teachers and it is a good thing for girls. I strongly recommend the appointment of a submaster at the next opportunity. The work in the Commercial Department is constantly increasing and is more than can be attended to by one teacher. Furthermore, the time of the regular teacher is too valuable to be

spent in directing the use of the typewriter. Several towns have met a similar situation by employing one of the strongest graduates of the Commercial Department of the school. "She directs the work of the typewriter, helps correct the commercial papers, assists individuals and does general clerical work. No class teaching is involved and the problem of discipline is eliminated." I believe such a plan could be profitably employed in our High School.

#### **Prize Speaking Contest.**

The annual prize speaking contest for the Phillips medals took place in the High School Hall on Friday, May 26, 1911. It seemed advisable to change from the customary method of inviting three judges to decide the contest and instead Professor I. L. Winter, Professor of Elocution at Harvard University, was selected to act as sole judge. He awarded the medals to Jessie L. Weir, 1912, and Roland A. Moody, 1913. The second prizes consisting of a set of Shakespeare's Works and a set of Bryce's American Commonwealth were assigned to Marion E. Dennis, 1915, and John Homan, 1911.

#### **Class Gifts.**

The class of 1911 generously remembered the school with two large framed pictures, The Ameins Cathedral and The Syndix by Rembrandt.

Early in November the class of 1912 through the coöperation of the Emery School Art Company, held an art exhibit in the school hall and as a result of their enterprise six more pictures will be added to the building. The spirit which has prompted the classes during the past few years to give so generously for decorations is very gratifying and I hope that the graduates may continue their interest in their school and show it by more often visiting it.

#### **Physical Instruction.**

Until a year ago the athletic activities of the school have been confined to baseball and football for the boys. During the past



year, gymnasium instruction and basketball have been provided for the girls two afternoons each week. The entire expense of all this work for coaching and equipment, except fitting up the hall for basketball, has been borne by the athletic association connected with the school. Miss Clair Donahue still continues in charge of the work and one-third of the girls of the school are availing themselves of this physical culture.

The association is unable financially to pay for the proper amount and kind of coaching for the baseball and football teams. The ideal way to meet the situation would be to make physical training compulsory, make it part of the regular work of the school, and employ a physical director to take charge of the classes during the school session. In the afternoon, his time could be employed partly in coaching the athletic teams of the High School and partly in physical instruction in the grade schools, and in organizing school contests for the different grades. If this plan seems impossible to adopt at the present time allow me to suggest an alternative. In my report of a year ago I called attention to the fact that in many schools a sub-master had been added to the faculty, who, in addition to a small number of regular classes in school has charge of the athletic teams in the afternoon. I have already mentioned the need of an extra teacher for another year. I now strongly recommend that a man be secured for this position who is also competent to take full charge of instructing the athletic team of the school.

#### **Manual Training.**

I have already mentioned the resignation of Mr. Eastwood, and the appointment of Mr. Congdon as instructor in this department. In May, 1911, Mr. H. B. Sprague, who so generously equipped the department when it was first established, again remembered the school by presenting it with another wood turning lathe. This lathe is somewhat larger than the others, and is direct motor driven. In September, the School Committee at the suggestion of the instructor, purchased a saw bench. The time this has saved in preparing the material for the work

at the bench has greatly increased the amount of work accomplished. Tool racks have been placed upon the benches and guards in front of the lathes. The work in this department is being taken more seriously than ever before. The discipline is excellent and the results remarkably good.

#### Conclusion.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the school officials and parents for their kind coöperation.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD W. LOKER

#### Report of the Supervisor of Drawing.

*Mr. Eldridge Smith, Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR, — In accordance with the usual custom, I submit my first Annual Report.

The arrangement of the time schedule makes it possible for me to visit each room once a week and devote two days to the High School.

The work of the fall term has consisted of nature drawing, geometric drawing, and constructive work for Christmas. Different phases of nature drawing have been studied in each grade. The primary grades have aimed to represent character and growth of plants: the intermediate grades have studied proportion of masses and foreshortening of leaves: the grammar classes have secured commendable results in accurate rendering and decorative arrangements. In the intermediate and grammar grades the most successful drawings have been applied to the decoration of books and portfolios.

The results in geometric and constructive work were good, but not equal to those in nature drawing. This was due to inaccuracy and in many cases to the lack of suitable instruments.

The Munsell Color System is being used here and as I have proved its educational value in former work, I shall endeavor to

introduce it more fully. In this system, the colors are evenly tuned, giving a refined and accurate standard.

The number of pupils in the drawing department in the High School is one hundred forty-three, of which fifty-three are studying mechanical drawing, and ninety, freehand drawing. The pupils in the mechanical department give eighty minutes per week throughout the four years. The work of the freshman year consists of geometric construction and working drawings of simple objects in parallel positions. The sophomore class studies the relation of objects to the coördinate planes, screw and simple machine drawings. The junior class studies architectural drawing and the work of the senior year consists of the study of intersections and developments, and special work suited to the need of the individual pupil.

In the freehand course of the High School which is elective, the classes are required to give forty minutes per week throughout the four years. If no more time can be given to this subject than at present I recommend that the freehand drawing be confined to the freshman and sophomore classes and be given eighty minutes per week. In the freehand division of the freshman and sophomore classes I have twenty-five pupils, in the junior and senior classes I have eight pupils. I believe the stress of work among the upper classmen one cause for the falling off in numbers, and for this reason a different time arrangement would be more satisfactory.

Swampscott is fortunate in having such a corps of efficient teachers who are working with great faithfulness for the best good of the pupils. The interest and zeal of the pupils deserves recognition here, for the majority work with an industry that is a challenge to do our best for them.

In conclusion, I wish to thank you and the teachers for the many evidences of good will and assistance. I sincerely hope that in my further work with these schools the same cordial relations, mutual confidence and coöperation may exist.

Respectfully submitted,

LULA M. DIX.

### Report of Supervisor of Music.

*To the Superintendent of Schools, Swampscott, Mass.:*

In the Music department, the year just closed has been very successful. The first requisite of success in any special study, is the coöperation of the regular teacher with the supervisor, and that has been given to the undersigned this year. Of course we are working under difficulties in getting along until we get housed in the new building, but we must all of us take that philosophically, and look forward with pleasure to see the scholars all amply taken care of next year.

It has been our aim to get the different classes from the High School down through the grades, in such condition, that if called upon at short notice they could give a very creditable exhibition, and we think we have met with more than average success.

It may be of interest to summarize briefly what we expect from the scholars in the different grades.

#### I

#### II

Learn the scale with movable "do," all the simple intervals, and a few technical terms. For recreation little rote and motion songs.

#### III

#### IV

Study of all technical terms, key signatures, marks of expression, time, interpretation, etc., etc.

#### V

Starting two part work, melodic progression, broken time and many other details which develop in connection with same.

#### VI

Develop three part work, also study the minor keys and details connected with same.

## VII

## VIII

Develop three part and should we have changed voices, we may have four part work. In the VIII we receive the benefits of all the preceding year's work.

The past year the scholars have sung in public three times, namely, the regular Memorial services just before Decoration Day before a committee from the G. A. R., High School Graduation, and Eighth Grade Graduation. On each occasion they acquitted themselves splendidly, and made us feel that the work we laid out on them gave glorious results.

Respectfully submitted

EBEN F. RICHARDSON,

*Supervisor of Music.*

### Truant Officer's Report.

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., January 5, 1912.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR, — I beg leave to submit the following report as Truant Officer of the Town of Swampscott for the year ending December 31, 1911.

Whole number of complaints . . . . .	139
Calls made in investigating said complaints . . . . .	278
Letters written and sent in regard to cases . . . . .	31
Cases of truancy . . . . .	5
Second offense . . . . .	2
Cases of unnecessary absence . . . . .	113

The cases of unnecessary or inexcusable absence still continue to be the source of the greatest trouble in the schools. The chief ground for complaint is that parents keep their children from school for trivial reasons such as doing errands, helping about the house and caring for smaller children during the sick-

ness of some other member of the family. These things are all prohibited by law. In most cases the trouble is remedied when the attention of the parents is called to the law violation but especially among the foreign population of the Town the ignorance of the educational laws is hard to overcome. It has not been necessary during the year to prosecute any case in the courts.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED F. FRAZIER,

*Truant Officer.*

### Report of the Medical Inspectors.

#### *Superintendent of Schools:*

As medical inspector for the Redington School I herewith submit to you the following report covering the past year:

Tinea Trichophytina (Ringworm)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Pertussis	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Pediculi Capitis	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Mumps	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Scarlet fever	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Impetigo Contagiosa	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Bronchitis	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Ptosis of eyelid	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Scabies	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Measles	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Adenoids	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25
Cystitis	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Defective eyesight, not wearing glasses	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17

Very respectfully,

H. R. GLIDDEN, M. D.



SWAMPSCOTT, MASS. Jan. 6, 1912.

I herewith submit my report as Medical Inspector of the Machon and Beach Schools.

Weekly visits have been made and careful supervision of the health of the children maintained.

No epidemics of any serious nature have arisen, though recently several cases of Chicken Pox have prevailed.

Two cases of Impetigo Contagiosa and one of Pediculi Capitis at the Machon School have been advised treatment.

A rigid vaccination Inspection was suggested by the Board of Health, as a result fourteen were vaccinated by their family physician or the Medical Inspector.

Eyes and ears were tested and if below standard the parent was notified.

The general health of the schools has been excellent.

H. M. LOWD, M. D.

January 3, 1912.

*To the Superintendent of Schools, Swampscott, Mass.:*

As Medical Inspector of the Clarke School I hereby submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1911.

I have made weekly visits to the schools and at such other times as have been necessary. On the whole the health of the children has been very good. The sight and hearing of each pupil has been carefully tested and where necessary the parents so advised. The following diseases have been noted during the year and properly cared for.

Ringworm	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Conjunctivitis	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Inflamed gland	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Infected lip	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Throat trouble	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Sprained ankle	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

There has been no occasion for house visits and there has been only one accident about the schoolhouse during school hours.

In rooms number one and number three during the months when the snow is on the ground the light is so reflected that it is very trying. I recommend that the shades be so arranged that this may be obviated. I also recommend that artificial lights be installed so that on dark days and after school hours proper light may be furnished.

Respectfully,

LORING GRIMES, M. D.

*Superintendent of Schools :*

DEAR SIR, — As Inspector of the High and Palmer Schools, I beg to report that the health of the pupils in these schools during the past year has been excellent. Weekly visits and the examinations required by law have been made. During the examination of pupils, it was found that sixteen pupils in the High School bore no evidence of vaccination. Some of these have since been vaccinated while others have presented certificates of vaccination or poor health. Although some of these are palpably false statements they bear the signatures of registered physicians as required by law.

The value of school inspection was shown at one time during the year when an incipient epidemic of eye trouble was discovered in the schools and was promptly suppressed. A few cases of contagious skin disease have been found and treated and the home conditions of several pupils have been investigated.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. BICKNELL, M. D.

GRADUATION EXERCISES  
AT THE  
PHILLIPS SCHOOL BUILDING,

Tuesday Evening, June 26, 1911.

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

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Order of Exercises

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INVOCATION . . . . .

Rev. Edward Tillotson.

"The Lord is Great" from Mendelssohn's

"Athalie" . . . . .

School Chorus.

SALUTATORY—"Well Armored" . . . . .

Hazel Judith Wagenfeld.

"The Pride of the South" . . . . .

Gladys Collins Webster.

"The Storm Fiend" . . . . .

School Chorus.

*Weatherly*

DEBATE—*Resolved*, That the Panama Canal  
should be Neutral . . . . .

*Affirmative*—John Homan

*Negative*—Charles Burnham Shaw.

“ O Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem ” . . . . . *Knox*  
School Chorus.

CLASS PROPHECIES . . . . .  
Charles George Butterworth.

“ On to the Sea,” from “ Ernani ” . . . . . *Verdi*  
School Chorus.

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT . . . . .  
Dorothy Fosß.

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT AND AWARDING OF PHILLIPS MEDALS.  
Superintendent of Schools, Thomas B. Ford.

RECESSIONAL. . . . . *Kipling, Schnecker*  
School Chorus.

VALEDICTORY—“ The Greal God Opinion ” . . . . .  
Charles Montgomery Wareham.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS . . . . .  
Secretary of School Committee, Arthur W. Stubbs.

CLASS ODE . . . . .  
Dorothy Day.

Accompanist, Zora Nute, '13.

## GRADUATES—1911.

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Dorothy Day.

Dorothy Foss.

Annie Frances Ledlie.

Lillian Leafy Ricker.

Helen Ottolie Riefkohl.

Gladys Collins Webster.

Hazel Judith Wagenfeld.

Barbara Warren.

Charles George Butterworth.

Howard Ackles Curtis.

Harold Emery Gonnarn.

Edward Leo Holland.

John Homan.

Harold Everett Morse.

Charles Burnham Shaw.

Charles Leonard Vance.

Charles Montgomery Wareham

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*Post Graduate.*

Charles Morrill Smith.

GRADUATION EXERCISES  
OF THE  
Clarke and Beach Grammar Schools  
TOWN HALL, SWAMPSCOTT, MASS.

Thursday Evening, June 22, 1911, 7.45

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ORDER OF EXERCISES

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INVOCATION . . . . .

Rev. Patrick Sullivan

CHORUS—"Largo" . . . . . *Handel*

DECLAMATION—"The Price of War" . . . . . *Jordan*

Philip Hooper Kitfield

PIANO SOLO—"Andante et Rondo" . . . . . *Rosenhain*

Blanche Winifred Miller

ESSAY—"The Boston Basin" . . . . .

Roger Wells Pope

CHORUS—"Old Ironsides" . . . . . *Klein*



DECLAMATION—"Patriotism" . . . . . *O' Connell*  
Joseph Howard Doane

VIOLIN SOLO—"Intermezzo"—from Cavalleria  
Rusticana . . . . . *Sinfonico*  
Charles Henry Sprague

RECITATION—"Clouds" . . . . . *Sill*  
Vesta Iverson Doane

CHORUS—"The Red Scarf" . . . . . *Bonheur*

ESSAY—"Wireless Telegraphy" . . . . .  
Lawrence Kenneth Hussey

DUET—"Roses, Roses Everywhere" . . . . . *Trotère*  
Amy Frances Ranger  
Hazel Dorothy Varina

An Original Arrangement from "Rebecca of  
Sunnybrook Farm" . . . . .  
Marion Oakes Brown

CHORUS—"The Lead Strikes Native Ground" . . . . . *Gilholly*

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFTS . . . . .  
BEACH SCHOOL—Margaretta Frances Curtis  
CLARKE SCHOOL—Carlton Walker Owen

ACCEPTANCE . . . . .  
BEACH SCHOOL—Sally Shreve Pickering  
CLARKE SCHOOL—Charles Leroy Dodge

CHORUS—"The Morning Ramble" . . . *Veazie*

READING OF HONOR ROLL AND SELECTED LIST

Member of School Committee, J. Henry Welch

CHORUS—"Loves Old Sweet Song" . . . *Molloy*

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS . . . . .

Chairman of School Committee, S. Perry Congdon

ACCOMPANIST . . . . .

Ethel Caldwell Bradford

*Graduates of Clarke School.*

Maria Wentworth Bates	Cleopatra Leawood
George Potter Boynton	Blanche Winifred Miller
Ethel Caldwell Bradford	Fred Lincoln Mower
Marion Oakes Brown	Elsie Marguerite Natale
Helen Warren Burgess	Carlton Walker Owen
James Leonard Congdon	Cora Ella Pike
Joseph Howard Doane	William Henry Preston
Karl Roger Fairbanks	Amy Frances Ranger
Olive Rebecca Frazier	Percy Martin Roope
Amy Witter Godfrey	Thomas Carlton Rowen
Alfreda Christine Goodwin	James Edward Sharp
Freda Corning Holmes	Leland Goldthwaite Shaw
Raymond Joseph Holmes	Charles Henry Sprague
Dorothy Louise Hoyt	Helen Alpha Tibbetts
Lawrence Kenneth Hussey	Hazel Dorothy Varina
George Edward Hutchinson	Walter George Wallace
Margaret Cecelia Kain	Barbara Widger
Melvin Noah King	Elizabeth Ada Young
Ira Ray Laxton	Margaret Avis Young

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*Graduates of Beach School.*

Mildred Gertrude Baillieul	Philip Hooper Kitfield
Louise Mae Benner	James LeRoy Martin
Violet Cahoon	Beatrice Mary Ellen Martin
Doris Carey	Mary Lucy McLeod
Charles Bronson Carroll	Roger Wells Pope
Evelyn Gertrude Curtis	Marjorie Cecilia Raney
Margaretta Frances Curtis	Helen Eliza Smith
Gorham Leo Dermody	Howard Caswell Smith
Vesta Iverson Doane	Mary Angelina Smith
Grace Hiller	Elizabeth Margaret Ward
Patsy Frank Iarrobino	Barbara Wardwell
Esther Clara Jeffers	Florence Catherine Wessel
Ruth Alden Johnson	Aaron Weinstein

**Enrollment for Fall Term.****HIGH SCHOOL :**

	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911
Graduates . . . . .	2	2	22	1	1
Senior . . . . .	21	26	19	16	16
Junior . . . . .	30	22	21	23	31
Sophomore . . . . .	23	25	27	32	35
Freshmen . . . . .	30	37	43	49	55
Sub. Freshmen . . . . .	43	49	52	58	57
Totals . . . . .	149	161	169	179	195

**GRAMMAR SCHOOLS :**

Grade VIII . . . . .	61	63	62	69	97
Grade VII . . . . .	94	78	76	113	74
Grade VI . . . . .	90	100	137	87	137
Grade V . . . . .	97	147	95	118	121
Grade IV . . . . .	134	92	116	118	124
Totals . . . . .	476	480	486	495	553

**PRIMARY SCHOOLS :**

Grade III . . . . .	94	116	130	137	127
Grade II . . . . .	119	125	135	135	143
Grade I . . . . .	135	141	133	166	158
Totals . . . . .	348	382	398	438	428
Grand Totals . . . . .	973	1023	1046	1112	1176
Increase . . . . .	13	50	23	66	64

## Distribution of School Population.

	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Sub Freshman	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Graduate	Total
Palmer . . .	19	27	24	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	70
Machon . . .	16	40	56	39	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	181
Redington . .	46	36	47	43	41	52	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	265
W. C. T. U. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	41	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	41
G. A. R. . . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	40	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	40
Clarke . . .	47	40	. . .	42	39	45	43	67	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	323
Beach . . . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	31	30	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	61
Hlgh . . . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	57	55	35	31	16	1	195
Total . . . .	158	143	127	124	121	137	74	97	57	55	35	31	16	1	1,176

### STATISTICS.

School population, census 1911, 5-15 years old. .

Boys . . . . . 481

Girls . . . . . 436

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Total . . . . . 917

Enrolment in graded schools . . . . . 981

Increase of enrolment over 1910-1911 . . . . . 47

Enrolment in High School . . . . . 195

Increase of enrolment over 1910-1911 . . . . . 16

No. boys completing Grammar school course . . . . . 18

No. girls completing Grammar school course . . . . . 38

No. boys completing High school course . . . . . 9

No. girls completing High school course . . . . . 8

No. cases truancy . . . . . 5



## TEACHERS.

## Phillips High School.

Teacher	Date of Election.	Where Educated	Address.
Harold W. Loker, Prin.	1907	Harvard University	1895 16 Devens road
A. Lillian Rideout	1893	Boston University	1891 15 Andrew road
Sarah L. Bell	1907	Hickox Shorthand	1901 16 Rockland street
Ethel L. Hersey	1910	Wellesley	1907 76 Banks road
Alma H. Sander	1910	Boston University	1909 241 Humphrey street
Eleanor D. Clement	1910	Mt. Holyoke	1910 12 Cliffside avenue
Ruby Willis	1911	Wellesley	1909 47 Farragut road
Dorothea L. Mann	1911	Wellesley	1909 6 Elmwood terrace

## Clarke School.

Frances A. Gould, Prin.	1888	Holton High	1879 7 Nichols street, Danvers
Elizabeth M. Webber, VII	1911	Rhode Island Normal	1909 122 Norfolk avenue
Carrie E. Wanzel, VII	1911	Danbury Normal	1906 4 Elmwood terrace
Minnie H. Fernald, VII	1888	Salem Normal	1874 40 Hampden street
Mabel S. Knight, VI	1894	Salem Normal	1887 19 Poplar street, Danvers
Florence Gregg, V	1905	Beverly Training	1895 16 Rockland street
Grace R. Makepeace, IV	1910	Hyannis Normal	1908 2 Valley road
Edith A. Farnum, II	1897	Salem Normal	1895 11 Rock avenue
Anna F. Wiley, I	1902	Salem Normal	1902 22 Maple avenue

**Redington Street.**

Where Educated.	Date of Election.	Address.
Alice L. Shaw, VI, Prin.	1902	1901 9 Farragut road
Marion F. Newcomb, VI, Asst.	1910	1910 60 King street
Edith P. Austin	1911	1909 63 Pine street
E. Jane Owen, V	1906	1883 90 Norfolk avenue
Ada S. Lewis	1911	1909 253 Humphrey street
Sarah E. Gardner, IV	1894	1893 71 Puritan road
Marian A. Sands, III	1909	1902 33 Rockland street
Katherine Y. Prescott, II	1902	1902 23 Huron street, Lynn
Lucy A. Kimball, I	1903	1902 6 New Ocean street

**Beach School.**

Salem Normal	1868	34 Rockland street
Natick High	1869	20 Outlook road

**Marchon School.**

Danvers High	1886	304 Broadway, Everett
Salem Normal	1908	82 Greenwood avenue
Salem Normal	1906	122 Norfolk avenue
Salem Normal	1906	129 Norfolk avenue

**Palmer School.**

Wheaton Seminary	1886	149 Humphrey street
Coburn Institute, Me.	1899	149 Humphrey street

Louise C. Stanley, II and III	1888	
Blanche E. Doyle, I	1903	

**Supervisor of Music.**

	Date of Election.	Address.
Eben F. Richardson . . . . .	1910	10 Chatham place

**Supervisor of Manual Training.**

S. P. Congdon . . . . .	1911	41 Thomas road
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**Supervisor of Drawing.**

Lula S. Dix . . . . .	1911	253 Humphrey street
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**Truant Officer**

Alfred F. Frazier . . . . .	32 Norfolk avenue.	Telephone 1103-2
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**School Physicians.**

Dr. Howard K. Glidden . . . . .	1907	50 Humphrey street. Telephone 2051-2
Dr. Loring Grimes . . . . .	1910	142 Burrill street. Telephone 1770
Dr. Harry Lowd . . . . .	1910	90 Burrill street. Telephone 4170
Dr. Ralph Bicknell . . . . .	1910	46 Burrill street. Telephone 159

**Janitors.**

	School.	Address.
H. W. Wardwell	Phillips	8 Fuller avenue
George I. Blake	Clarke	38 Hampden street
Charles Roderick	Machon	1 Elmwood road
A. G. Stone	Redington	49 Blaney street
Mrs. P. A. Nickerson	Beach	Orient court
A. McNamara	Palmer	802 Humphrey street
Edwin Russell	Odd Fellows' Hall	133 Norfolk avenue
J. E. Homan	G. A. R. Hall	58 Pine street

## Report Public Library Trustees.

### *To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

In presenting a report of our doings in the management of the affairs of your Library, since our last report, we would state that the past year has seen little, if any, change in the condition of the Library and its requirements. The routine work has been conducted as heretofore, and the need for shelf room for new books has been provided for by crowding in bookcases wherever it was possible to do so. The Library now contains 12,476 volumes and the use that has been made of these books by the citizens of the Town is best expressed by stating that the circulation for the year has been 30,227 volumes.

The Library has received in gifts a number of books for which the Trustees in behalf of the Town extend to the donors their sincere thanks.

Nothing additional has been learned from the Committee appointed to consider and report suggestions for obtaining a Library building and a location for the same, and the Trustees therefore consider that that matter has been passed over for another year. That being the case, it would seem that to meet the requirements for room for books, that it will be necessary in the immediate future, the limit of shelf room having now been reached, to pack up such books as are seldom called for and store them in the cellar of the Town Hall until some future day when the Town shall possess a Library building.

We beg to mention the good work done by the Library employees as a recognition of our appreciation of their faithful services.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK F. STANLEY,  
ELIZABETH J. HADLEY,  
FRANK E. INGALLS,

January 20, 1912.

*Trustees.*

## Report of Overseers of the Poor.

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SWAMPSCOTT, Mass., Jan. 1, 1912.

### *To the Citiezens of Swampscott:*

The Board of Overseers of the Poor submit the following report:

The Town has been favored this year by a decrease in the number of persons aided, and the expenditure has correspondingly decreased.

Owing to the new system of handling the finance of the Town, our department which has always in the past had the use of its receipts, found that this money was to be turned over to the Treasury. Consequently on December 1st we were obliged to ask for \$425 to pay bills due at this time.

We find that after years of experience, the plan of keeping our families in their own homes is most beneficial to the social life of the family. Also that it tends to self respect and self support.

We have a very small number of persons receiving full support, and this has been largely brought about by encouragement and advice given by the Board of Overseers.

On March 12, 1911 we lost a valuable member of our Board by the death of Mr. James H. Moulton, to whom we wish to pay this tribute. He was a man of excellent judgment and sympathetic nature.

We would recommend that the Town appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the maintenance of our department for the ensuing year.



We wish to thank all the officials and the citizens who have in any way assisted us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. CROWELL, *Chairman*,  
EDMUND RUSSELL, *Secretary*,  
WILLIAM H. CARROLL.

### Secretary's Report.

Meetings held by the Board in past year . . .	35
Visits made by the Board in past year . . .	15
Personal visits made by the Secretary . . .	48
Cases investigated and aid refused . . .	3
Cases investigated and aid granted . . .	14
Number of persons having settlement in Swampscott, aided in other cities and towns . . .	17
Number of persons fully supported . . .	3
Number of families partially supported . . .	18
Number of persons, men, women and children receiving aid, 1911 . . .	58
Having settlement in Swampscott . . .	40
Having settlement elsewhere in State . . .	18

### Financial Report.

Reimbursed by cities and towns . . .	\$327 69
Due from cities and towns . . .	194 86
Reimbursement to outside towns by Individuals . . .	28 00
Total expenditures 1910 . . .	3,929 94
Total expenditures 1911 . . .	3,624 60

EDMUND RUSSELL,

*Secretary.*

January 1, 1912.

## Report of Park Commissioners.

SWAMPSCOTT, December 30, 1911.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

The Board of Park Commissioners respectfully submits its annual report for the year 1911.

The first meeting of the year was held at the Town Hall, March 31, 1911 and the board organized as follows: Arthur T. Tapper, Chairman; Robert Leslie, Secretary and Everit B. Terhune.

### **Blaney Beach Reservation.**

Mr. Horace W. Blanchard's services were retained as superintendent of this reservation for the ensuing year. Too much praise or credit cannot be given to this faithful public servant for his watchfulness and care of this section of the Town's property. By his thorough knowledge of the details of the reservation building and beach he relieves the Commissioners of a vast amount of anxiety and detail work.

The most important work done during the year was the placing of the granolithic on the southeast end and west side of the Reservation Building for which an appropriation was made of \$650. This amount, however, was inadequate to complete the work and some \$200 had to be expended to pay the engineer, inspector and carpenter which were necessary to employ. This expense had to be paid from the general fund. Mr. Clarence B. Humphrey was engaged to draw plans and specifications for the granolithic work. The Commission fully believe that no

better person could be found who would look after the welfare of the Town in a more conscientious and capable manner and the trust imposed in this gentleman was fully up to their expectations.

Bids were advertised for through the Lynn daily papers for the granolithic work and the following firms submitted their figures as follows:

M. McDonough Company	.	.	\$650 00
David Sheehan Company	.	.	749 00
Felix Marino	.	.	750 00
James Lyons	.	.	760 00

The contract was awarded to M. McDonough Company, they being the lowest bidders.

Two bubble fountains were placed on this reservation: one at the east end of the building and one on the plot between the two driveways leading to the beach.

There is no available space at present to be had in the reservation building. The occupants and rentals are as follows:

No. 1.	Joseph Nickerson	.	.	\$4 40 for six months
No. 2.	J. Boyden	.	.	5 40 for six months
No. 3.	F. E. Doty	.	.	5 40 for six months
No. 4.	J. F. Crowell	.	.	4 80 for six months
No. 5.	Rodney Douglass	.	.	4 80 for six months
No. 6.	T. W. Brackett	.	.	4 80 for six months
No. 7.	E. F. Wiley	.	.	5 40 for six months
No. 8.	S. M. Kehoe	.	.	5 40 for six months
No. 9.	Charles Smith	.	.	5 40 for six months
No. 10.	Leonard Blanchard	.	.	5 40 for six months
No. 11.	Nathaniel Pierce	.	.	5 40 for six months
No. 12.	Leonard Lewis	.	.	5 40 for six months
No. 13.	Walter Kehoe, one half	.	.	7 50 for six months
No. 13.	Otis Cahoon, one-half	.	.	7 50 for six months
No. 14.	Henry Douglass	.	.	14 40 for six months
No. 15.	Charles Jones, one-half	.	.	7 20 for six months
No. 15.	Fred Kennedy, one-half	.	.	7.20 for six months
No. 16.	Henry Bradley, one-third	.	.	4 80 for six months

No. 16.	Robert Marsh, one-third	.	.	.	4	80 for six months
No. 16.	J. Acker, one-third	.	.	.	4	80 for six months
No. 17.	Thing & Watts	.	.	.	14	00 for six months
No. 18.	Blanchard & Boyden	.	.	.	15	00 for six months
Loft 2.	Blanchard & Boyden	.	.	.	11	00 for six months
Loft 3.	Joseph Boyden, floor space	.	.	.	10	00 for six months

Recommendation. The Commissioners would recommend that the Town appropriate the sum of \$800 for repairs and maintenance of this reservation.

#### Monument Avenue Reservation.

Again the Commission realized the advisability of calling for bids for the care of this reservation; and documents containing full particulars were mailed to several landscape gardeners requesting bids, and the following were received:

Felix Marino	.	.	.	.	\$87	50
George Newhall	.	.	.	.	160	00
J. B. Hawes	.	.	.	.	120	00
F. Prideaux	.	.	.	.	375	00

The contract was awarded to Felix Marino, he being the lowest bidder. The services of Mr. John T. Erickson were secured to plant shrubs and tulip bulbs in the plot facing the monument. This gentleman, by his artistic knowledge of landscape gardening and the care of plants furnished the Town with the most attractive spot along the North Shore. It is well known that several artists have visited this place from time to time during the summer season and obtained pictures and sketches, which pictures have been printed and accounts published in several newspapers and magazines. In fact it has been the center of attraction for people hailing from all parts of the country.

This fall the Commissioners were obliged to have the sod dug up and turned on part of this reservation owing to the appearance of several kinds of weeds which were destroying the grass. However, it was too late in the season to complete this work, which will be obliged to be finished in the springtime. Several

yards of loam were spread at different parts to enrich the soil, and we believe that this will be a great benefit. At the head of the reservation the Commissioners were obliged to have a drain dug to care for the overflow of water from a pipe which burst at the east corner and which flooded the entire plot; and if allowed to remain would have been the ruination of the entire shrubbery in that section. This was done at the cost of \$50.00.

**Recommendation.** The Commissioners would recommend that the Town appropriate the sum of \$700 to continue this work the coming season and also for the pruning of the shrubbery.

The Commissioners would also recommend that the Town appropriate sufficient funds to place a granolithic curb around the plot in front of the monument on the reservation. We think this would be an added attraction besides being a means to prevent pedestrians and teams crossing the same.

#### Paradise Road Playground.

During the winter season of 1910 and 1911 these grounds were continually flooded in order that the children and matured people might enjoy themselves skating and with other sports: which proved very successful.

Bids were called for, for the care of these grounds and several landscape gardeners were furnished with documents containing particulars: which resulted as follows:

Felix Marino	.	.	.	.	\$60 00
George Newhall	.	.	.	.	65 00
J. B. Hawes	.	.	.	.	75 00
F. Prideax	.	.	.	.	125 00

The contract was awarded to Felix Marino, he being the lowest bidder. No fault could be found with the manner in which Mr. Marino cared for these grounds and also the Monument Avenue Reservation. His work being done in a thorough manner and up to the requirements of contracts.

A bubble fountain was placed at the Middlesex avenue side of

these grounds and several yards of loam were spread at the southwest side of the diamond.

Recommendation. The Commissioners would recommend that the Town appropriate sufficient funds for the placing of sand pits and swings on the small diamond, on the Norfolk avenue end of the playground, for the use of the smaller children.

Recommendation. The Commissioners would recommend that the Town appropriate the sum of \$300 for the care and maintenance of these playgrounds.

ARTHUR T. TAPPER,  
ROBERT LESLIE,  
EVERIT B. TRIBUNE.

*Park Commissioners.*



## Report of Surveyor of Highways.

### *To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Surveyor of Highways herewith submits his Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1911.

During the past year the following named streets have been macadamized: Humphrey street from the entrance to the Boulevard to the Soldiers Monument on both sides of the car tracks, also from Humphrey terrace to Ingalls terrace on both sides of the car tracks. On Orient street from the Lodge estate to the entrance to the Little estate. On this street the road-bed was excavated, afterward refilled to a depth of about fifteen inches with pit stone and gravel, and then resurfaced for a depth of eight inches with crushed stone, and the surface oiled. This piece of road-bed is one of the hardest in town to keep in repair, owing to the heavy automobile travel in summer and the sharp curves in the street. Columbia street from the Lynn line to Essex avenue was resurfaced with crushed stone to a depth of ten inches, rolled with the steam roller and gravel used for a binder.

There have been about two miles of gravel streets resurfaced this year. All streets in the Town have been patrolled and holes and dangerous places filled with crushed stone, gravel and oil.

Humphrey, Orient and New Ocean streets have received constant attention from the department, especially along the shore drive while Atlantic avenue has been patrolled by men with

crushed stone and heavy oil and wherever breaks have been discovered in the surface the same have been immediately repaired. Atlantic avenue and Orient street ought to be resurfaced with a coating of 90 per cent Asphalt oil the early part of the coming year.

All streets in which sewers and water pipes were laid this year have been leveled, surfaced with gravel where needed, and rolled with the steam roller.

Gutters on all streets of the Town have been cleaned at least twice and on the main street from Orient street to the Boston & Maine Railroad station on Burrill street every Saturday during the summer months, weather permitting.

There have been placed upon the different streets of the Town fifty-three street signs showing the name of the street, where placed.

Banks road from Farragut road to Walker road has been practically rebuilt. The walks on both sides of the driveway were set back five feet, making the street ten feet wider than when originally constructed, the whole street resurfaced with a heavy coating of pit stone and gravel well rolled with the steam roller.

There have been built this year eleven catch basins, in connection with these basins there have been laid ten feet of 12-inch pipe drain, ninety feet of 8-inch pipe drain and two hundred seventy-six feet of 6-inch drain. Gutters to the extent of ten hundred sixty-six square yards have been paved with cobble stones.

Aside from the above catch basins there have been built three catch basins and sixty feet of 8-inch pipe drain and two hundred twenty-six feet of 6-inch pipe drain across private property from King street to Rockland street to care for the street drainage from Rockland street. All parties across whose property this drain was built have signed waivers releasing the Town from any claims for damages.

For building and repairing sidewalks the following amounts of material were used: 360 loads of screened gravel, 40 loads of coarse gravel, 46 loads of pit stone and 54 loads of crushed stone, these loads would average two and one-half tons to a load.

Curbstones have been reset around Town to the extent of three hundred forty feet.

Tar concrete sidewalks have been repaired wherever necessary. For this work 1,615.39 square yards of skim coat tar concrete were relaid at an expense of twenty-seven cents a yard, amounting to \$436.15, also 482.03 square yards of new concrete were laid at an expense of forty-two cents a square yard, amounting to \$202.44.

The number of loads of sand used for sanding icy sidewalks was 81.

Under the appropriation for Continuous Sidewalks the number of yards of granolithic sidewalk laid was 1,942. The number of square yards of tar concrete was 228.81 and the length of curbstone laid was 3,175.44 linear feet.

The price paid for granolithic was \$1.60 and \$2.00, for tar concrete was 42 cents and 60 cents a square yard. The price for straight curbstone delivered but not set was 65 cents and 70 cents, for curved curbstone delivered but not set 85 cents and 90 cents a linear foot.

### Street Watering and Oiling.

The method employed the past season, that is, the using of the light oils has proved very satisfactory, there being very little complaint from dust.

There were tried during the season an emulsion oil, Tascoil and Dustoline. The emulsion proved to be a failure. The Tascoil and the Dustoline were all right so far as a dust layer but were not gravel binders. Salem street was treated with a 30 per cent asphalt oil, put on by M. McDonough, at the rate of two cents a square yard. The light oils such as Tascoil and Dustoline are good for about sixty days after which the road-bed ought to be again oiled.

Curbstone for street corners to the amount of 295.88 linear feet were laid at some of the corners where they were most needed.

### **Highland Street Ledge.**

About one hundred yards of ledge at the corner of Highland street and Rockland street were removed by M. McDonough for \$250 by contract. Removing this ledge was a very much needed improvement.

### **New Stone Crusher.**

This Department has purchased a new and up-to-date stone crusher. After looking at several different makes and conferring with the Board of Selectmen, it was deemed best to buy one of the same make that has been so satisfactorily used by the Town for the last twenty years and which is known as the Farrell crusher.

### **Town Teams.**

There have been added to the department the past year, two double teams. This addition is something that this department has needed for a long time. All four horses have worked every day since the Town has owned them and have given excellent service.

### **Building for Storing Sand.**

Bids for this building were asked for and two were received, as follows: William J. Waters, \$989.00; Levi Hudson, \$480.00 Mr. Hudson being the lower bidder, was given the contract. This building is situated at the northeasterly end of the present storage building at the stone crusher lot, and is capable of holding three hundred ton of sand.

I want to remind the public that the rapid growth of the Town causes a similar growth in the amount of work to be performed by the Highway Department. The Town each year accepting extra streets and the continual digging up of the streets by the gas company, the Water and Sewer Departments, which during the past year amounted to some three hundred and sixteen times all cause extra work. The wages of the men and teams have been increased this year, but not the appropriation. In order that the department may keep up to the standard, the expense

must increase each year. As for the increased wages in the department, your surveyor is satisfied that the Town has more than received the value because the men have taken more interest in their work, and where they formerly showed an indifference to anything outside of their direct task, they now report what they observe on the streets, and defects are quickly remedied.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and the Chief of the Fire Department for one wagon given by the Fire Department to this department.

#### Recommendations.

I would recommend that Atlantic avenue, Orient street from Atlantic avenue to the Brook's estate and New Ocean street for its entire length be resurfaced with a coating of 90 per cent. asphalt oil and that the sum of \$3,500 be appropriated therefor.

I would also recommend that the sum of \$300 be appropriated for the purpose of placing curbstones at the corners of streets wherever in the opinion of the Surveyor of Highways the same may be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL J. RYAN,

*Surveyor of Highways.*

## Report of Engineers Fire Department.

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*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN,—We take pleasure in submitting to you our report for the past eleven months ending December 31st, 1911.

### **Apparatus.**

The apparatus consists of one engine, one auto combination, one horse drawn chemical not in service, one ladder truck, one hose wagon, one hose pung, one supply wagon, one chief's wagon. All apparatus is now in good condition. One supply wagon transferred to Highway Department.

### **Hose.**

There are 3,650 feet of two and one-half inch cotton hose rubber lined in excellent condition, divided as follows: 1,200 feet at Phillips Beach in auto and 2,450 at Central House. There was 500 feet of new hose purchased last year and 200 feet condemned.

### **Horses.**

The department has at present eight horses in fairly good condition. During the past year there has been one pair purchased, three sold and one retired.

### **Fire Stations.**

The Chemical House at Phillips Beach in the past year has been painted and necessary repairs made and is now in good



condition. The Central House on New Ocean Street is still in need of repairs. Last year there was an appropriation made for new floors and other small repairs.

#### Fire Alarms.

During the past year a number of improvements have been made. The extending of the system to the Fayette Street Engine House with necessary appliances for receiving all alarms, also  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles of new wire has been erected replacing wire that has been strung for a number of years. New wire will have to be erected to take the place of old wire each year.

#### Manual Force.

The manual force consists of thirty-four men assigned as follows: Seven permanent men including the Chief and twenty-seven call men including two assistant engineers, two captains and two lieutenants.

#### Recommendations.

First. We recommend 500 feet of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch hose, \$400 to be appropriated for the same.

Second. We recommend painting and repairs on Central House be made, and \$300 be appropriated for same.

Third. We recommend two new fire alarm boxes be installed, one on Beach Bluff avenue and one on Walker road, near Banks road. We recommend that \$175 be appropriated for same.

Fourth. We recommend one more permanent man for the Central Station and recommend \$650 be appropriated for same.

#### Recommendations.

Current expense, including pay rolls,	\$13,398 00	
Hydrant rent . . . . .	2,300 00	
500 feet hose . . . . .	400 00	
Repairs on Central House . . .	300 00	
Two new boxes . . . . .	175 00	
For permanent man . . . . .	650 00	
	<hr/>	\$17,223 00

**Fires and Alarms.**

There have been 40 bell alarms, 46 telephone calls and three still alarms, making a total of 89 alarms this past year. The no-school signal has been sounded three times and the department has responded to nine out of town calls. Chemical No. 1 called in service 32 times, Chemical No. 4, 17 times. Number of feet of hose used 6,100, number feet of ladder used 365 feet, gallons chemical used 2,218, number of miles 188½ and number of hours working at fires 156¾.

**Loss by Fire.**

The value of property, amount of insurance paid and the net losses at fires where a portion of the department has responded, is as follows :

Value of buildings . . . . .	\$35,765 00	
Value of contents . . . . .	15,855 00	
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Total . . . . .		\$51,620 00
Insurance on buildings . . . . .	\$25,000 00	
Insurance on contents . . . . .	9,225 00	
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Total . . . . .		\$34,225 00
Damage to buildings . . . . .	\$1,827 76	
Damage to contents . . . . .	1,154 20	
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Total . . . . .		\$2,981 96
Insurance paid on buildings . . . . .	\$1,794 26	
Insurance paid on contents . . . . .	1,074 20	
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Total . . . . .		\$2,868 46
Net loss above insurance . . . . .		<hr/> \$113 50

**Applications Received and Permits Granted.**

Applications received for blasting . . . . .	44
Permits granted for blasting . . . . .	38
Applications received for transporting explosives . . . . .	2
Applications received for storing explosives . . . . .	1
Applications received for sale of fireworks . . . . .	9
Permits granted for sale of fireworks . . . . .	3

**Remarks.**

This past year there has been an auto combination hose and chemical placed at Phillips Beach to take the place of the horse drawn apparatus and it is a decided improvement. Since being delivered August 8th it has travelled 479 1-10 miles without any trouble. Motor apparatus is now being installed everywhere to take the place of the horse drawn. We believe that the Town should adopt that course and do away with horses as soon as convenient. In conclusion, we wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen and also the citizens for extending their good will and support and to thank the Police Department for services rendered, also the members of the Fire Department for their promptness and courtesy in fulfilling their position of trust and danger in such an able manner.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE P. CAHOON,  
FRANK L. CHAPMAN,  
GEORGE F. CLAY,

*Board of Fire Engineers.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE PURCHASE OF COMBINATION CHEMICAL AND HOSE AUTOMOBILE.

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*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Your Committee appointed to report upon Article 14, of the Town Warrant of the Annual Town Meeting held March 20, 1911, reported at a Special Town Meeting held April 20, 1911. Their report being accepted, it was voted, that the same Committee serve as a Committee for the purchase of a Combination Auto at a price not to exceed \$6,000.

The Committee upon further investigation were still of the opinion that the type previously reported was the best for the needs of the Town.

The contract for building the same was advertised and bids were received as follows:

The American LaFrance Co. Elmira, N. Y.	\$5,800 00
Knox Auto Co. Springfield, Mass.	5,800 00
Knox Auto Co. Holyoke style	5,900 00
Pope Hartford, Hartford, Conn.	5,250 00
Boyd Manufacturing Co. Philadelphia, Pa.	4,717 00

On May 15, 1911, the contract was awarded to the American LaFrance Co., of Elmira, N. Y., at \$5,800, same to be delivered within ninety days.

The auto arrived August 8, 1911, and was immediately placed in commission at the Phillips Beach Fire Station.

It is thoroughly equipped, 70 horse power, with two 35 gallon chemical tanks, two chemical hose lines 175 feet each, and carries 1,200 feet of 2 1-2 inch water hose.

There is no doubt in the minds of the Committee that it will prove a valuable addition to the Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,  
GEORGE P. CAHOON.  
GEORGE F. CLAY,  
FRANK L. CHAPMAN,

*Committee.*





Malicious mischief . . . . .	2
Receiving stolen goods . . . . .	1
Short measures . . . . .	2
Tramps . . . . .	4
Violation of the automobile law . . . . .	26
Violation of liquor law . . . . .	2
Violation of Lord's Day . . . . .	1
Violation of firearms law, hunting without license . . . . .	1
Total . . . . .	119

## Deposition of cases in lower court :

Appealed to Superior Court . . . . .	4
Committed to Danvers Insane Hospital . . . . .	3
Committed to House of Correction . . . . .	6
Committed to Salem Jail, non-payment of fines . . . . .	8
Committed to State Farm, Bridgewater . . . . .	3
Delivered to other officers . . . . .	15
Discharged by court . . . . .	6
Defaulted . . . . .	1
Filed . . . . .	24
Fined and paid . . . . .	28
Placed on probation . . . . .	5
Released for drunkenness by probation officer . . . . .	12
Sent to Superior Court . . . . .	3
Returned to Shirley School . . . . .	1
Total . . . . .	119

## Disposition of cases in Superior Court :

Cases fined and paid . . . . .	2
Cases nol prossed . . . . .	4
Cases found not guilty and discharged . . . . .	1
Cases sentenced to the House of Correction . . . . .	2
Cases pending in the Superior Court . . . . .	9
Total . . . . .	18

**Miscellaneous Business.**

Accidents reported . . . . .	58
Assisted other officers . . . . .	27
Attempted to break and enter . . . . .	4
Ambulance calls . . . . .	27
Buildings found open and secured . . . . .	61
Bicycles reported lost . . . . .	6
Complaints . . . . .	405
Cases of larceny reported . . . . .	7
Cases of breaking and entering and larceny reported . . . . .	21
Defective streets and sidewalks reported . . . . .	31
Disturbances suppressed without arrest . . . . .	25
Dogs reported lost . . . . .	26
Dogs killed by dog officer . . . . .	79
Dogs returned to owner . . . . .	30
Extra hours of officers on ambulance . . . . .	68
Fire alarms given by telephone . . . . .	12
Fire alarms responded to by officers . . . . .	40
Fires extinguished without alarms . . . . .	3
Horses found cast in buildings . . . . .	3
Injured and sick persons assisted . . . . .	57
Intoxicated persons assisted home . . . . .	11
Lights furnished for dangerous places . . . . .	42
Lights reported out in street . . . . .	127
Lights found burning in buildings . . . . .	20
Lost children restored . . . . .	33
Obstructions removed from streets . . . . .	18
Poles and trees reported on fire . . . . .	15
Search warrants served for stolen property . . . . .	6
Teams found and returned to owners . . . . .	4
Water and gas leaks reported . . . . .	21
Wires reported down . . . . .	11
Value of property reported lost or stolen . . . . .	\$551 00
Value of property recovered . . . . .	273 00

**Recommendation.**

In the reports of previous years I have called attention to the inadequate and unsatisfactory services rendered by the ambulance. Conditions this year have been no better than heretofore. Under the present arrangements it costs \$50 per year for the storage of the ambulance and \$1.50 for a horse every time it is taken out. For a long time the method of taking prisoners to Lynn, where all prisoners are locked up, in a depot wagon has been very unsatisfactory both to the public and the officers having charge of the prisoners. The expense incurred by this arrangement is also considerable during the year. In order to improve the efficiency of the department both in answering calls for the ambulance and in the handling of prisoners I would respectfully recommend that an automobile ambulance and patrol suitable for the needs of the Town be purchased.

**Remarks.**

In closing my report I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen for the many courtesies shown the Department and myself during the past year and also to the court officers and the members of the Lynn Police Department who have assisted in many ways during the year just closed. I also wish to thank the officers of the Swampscott Police Department for the promptness and willingness shown in the discharge of their many duties and for the many extra services which they have rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

ULYSSES M. CORSON.

*Chief of Police.*

## Report of the Board of Health.

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### *To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Board of Health herewith submit for your consideration their report for the year ending December 31, 1911.

At the first meeting of the year, held March 24, 1911, Dr. Loring Grimes was chosen chairman, and appointments made as follows:

Clerk, Frank E. Littlefield.

Plumbing Inspector, Martin E. Nies.

Milk Inspector, Herbert D. Smith.

Inspector of Fruit and Provisions, Walter F. Larrabee.

To care for offal at beach, Charles Melvin.

Special Clerk, Milton D. Porter.

### **Milk Inspection.**

This year we have continued as last year, and as we expected to do at time of last report, we have required since June a bacterial test which has shown us whether or not milk was clean.

The standard we have required has been the same as is required in most cities and towns, and we find on the whole the milk sold in Town to be better than the average. We find, as a rule milk produced near home to be better than that brought in from long distances.

In the early spring we visited almost every dairy sending milk into Swampscott, and where necessary suggested changes that would improve the quality of milk produced. In cases where we had no jurisdiction over the matter we simply refused the

party selling milk from that dairy a license to sell in Town until requirements of our board were fulfilled. In each case we tried to be impartial and give every producer an equal chance with others, but insisted on having milk sold in Town as clean as could be reasonably expected.

There has been no epidemics during the year due to milk supply. Our milk inspector this year has been required to do more work than ever before and his salary of last year was not sufficient for what was required of him, therefore again we increased his salary twenty-five dollars.

The detailed report of the Inspector will be found on a later page.

#### Swill and Ashes.

During the year it has again been necessary to make a change in our contract for the care of paper and ashes the contractor to whom we awarded the contract last year we found absolutely unable to do the work under any conditions and after considering the matter very carefully we decided the best thing for the Town was to cancel the contract and call for new bids. This we did on June 23, 1911, with the following results:

Louis A. Delano for one year	. . .	\$2,080 00
Michael McDonough & Co. for one year,		2,000 00
Amos E. Getchell for one year	. . .	1,975 00

The new contract was made broader than the old and included the care of everything within reason that was put out for collection.

The new contract was awarded to Michael McDonough & Co. at figures named. Since then there has been very few complaints and we consider the service has been better than ever before.

Regarding the Swill Contract Mr. Bushby is tending to it in a very satisfactory manner.

### Plumbing Inspection.

With the great amount of sewers that have been installed during the past year our Plumbing Inspector has been kept busy as his report herewith submitted will show.

### Contracts.

Except for the new contract for collecting ashes and paper, of which we have made mention, there was but one let out, that for the care of Night Soil, which was let to Mr. Allen Rowe, he being the only bidder.

His figure was the same as last year, \$95.00. As we have received no complaint from this source we consider the disposal of the same has been very satisfactory.

### Complaints.

During the last year the number of complaints have been comparatively few, each and every complaint that we have received has been carefully investigated and disposed of to the best of our ability, trying to be impartial in any and all our proceedings.

The following is a tabulated list of complaints:

Ashes	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Brooks	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Swill	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Overflowing cesspools	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Unsanitary conditions	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Carrion	.	.	.	.	.	.	35

### Brooks and Drains.

Brooks and drains in this Town at present time are a source of great annoyance to all people living in the neighborhood where they are located. In most cases the complaints are of such a nature that the Board has no power. The power of the Board being confined to conditions that are a menace to public health only.

The many complaints we have had we have done our best to care for satisfactorily but without money we have been unable



to any where near satisfy any complainants. Our appropriation of \$200 is of no use whatever to care for brooks in the condition which they now exist.

Where the trouble is purely a health matter we have all power and as the laws are it is wholly up to the abutter to abate any nuisance which we determine is a menace to public health.

Not depending wholly on our own judgment we have consulted the State in this matter. Their inspector has been over the matter with us and has upheld us in our opinion.

After carrying this matter along for several years it seems to us that this matter of brooks should be placed in the hands of some department which has men and means of caring for such matters much better than we have.

Therefore we will not recommend any appropriation for this matter, but leave for someone else to look out for.

#### **Beaches.**

The beaches have been cleaned three times. The first time was early in the season when they were completely covered with dumping refuse from Boston Harbor. We took the matter up with the Boston Board of Health, and to date we have had no more trouble from that source.

The later cleaning was as usual due to the accumulation of sea weed and the ordinary refuse which collects during high seas.

As last year the abutters helped us out when the cleaning was for their special benefit.

#### **The Pest House.**

The building is still being used by the Lynn Tuberculosis Association, and being kept in repair by them in satisfactorily manner.

#### **Fumigating.**

There has been comparatively little of this to do this year, what has been done has been in the same way as last year and the same price per room.

**Infectious Diseases Reported.**

Chicken Pox . . . . .	9
Measles . . . . .	19
Tuberculosis . . . . .	8
Typhoid Fever . . . . .	6
Scarlet Fever . . . . .	7
Othahmeia Neonatorium . . . . .	2
Diphtheria . . . . .	3
Whooping Cough . . . . .	8

More strenuous effort than ever is being made throughout the country and especially in New England to stamp out Tuberculosis.

Laws have been made during the year requiring the Board to care for all cases existing in Town both early and advanced. This naturally threw an increased expense on the Town. The Lynn Tuberculosis Association takes care of early cases, but we are obliged to pay the expense of advanced cases at some sanatorium where they can be properly cared for.

At present we have two cases and know of two or three more that will soon have to be cared for, in some cases we can collect from the people but from more we cannot.

**Medical Inspection of Schools.**

The general health of the school children has shown a big improvement over past years. And we feel that the diminished number of contagious cases in town is largely due to the system of school inspection which is now carried on.

With a few exceptions, our complaints from cesspools have been from the section of the Town called Mapledale place.

We have many times carefully investigated this section and are of the opinion that the remedy for existing conditions, is the Town building a sewer there, this we deem very necessary.

We recommend the following amounts as appropriations for year 1912, as follows:

Recommendations.

Sanitation . . . . .	\$2,550 00
Refuse and garbage . . . . .	3,000 00

Respectfully submitted

LORING GRIMES, *Chairman.*

GEORGE C. WEBSTER,

JOHN B. CAHOON,

F. E. LITTLEFIELD, *Clerk.*

## Report of Milk Inspectors.

*To the Board of Health, Swampscott, Mass.:*

GENTLEMEN, I herewith submit my report as Milk Inspector for the year 1911-1912.

Number of samples of milk taken and analyzed . . .	53
Number of samples of milk found under the standard . . .	8
Number of samples of milk taken for bacteria test . . .	21
Number of samples of milk that passed bacteria test . . .	10
Number of licenses issued for sale of milk . . . . .	20
Number of stores licensed for sale of milk . . . . .	21

Total amount received for licenses twenty dollars and fifty cents which amount I have paid to the Town Treasurer and hold his receipt for the same.

On the whole I find the milk to be of better quality than last year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. D. SMITH,

*Inspector of Milk.*

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., December 29, 1911.

## Report of Inspector of Plumbing.

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., December 31, 1911.

*To the Board of Health, Swampscott, Mass.:*

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit my ninth annual report for the year 1911-12. The work of the office is shown as follows:

Plumbing permits issued	.	.	.	128
Complaints investigated	.	.	.	17
Cases reported to Board	.	.	.	10
Cases settled by Board	.	.	.	10
Registered Plumbers	.	.	.	82
Permits refused	.	.	.	4

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN E. NIES,

*Inspector of Plumbing.*

REPORT OF  
Meat and Provisions Inspector.

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SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., January 4, 1912.

*To the Board of Health, Swampscott, Mass.:*

GENTLEMEN,—I have inspected the meats and provisions that are placed on sale in Town, and find the same to be of good quality and are kept in such manner as required by law.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER F. LARRABEE,

*Inspector of Meat and Provisions.*



## Report of Inspector of Animals.

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., January 11, 1912.

*To the Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit my annual report for year 1911-12.

There was no general inspection ordered last November as has previously been the custom but this will probably be made in February, the details of which will accordingly appear in the next annual report.

In April there were two cases of suspected glanders reported to this office both of which were quarantined, as required by the rules of the Cattle Bureau, but upon examination both gave negative results and were subsequently released.

During the year there have been three cases of suspected rabies reported, two of which were dogs that had come in contact with rabid animals and were thereby exposed to the disease. Both were placed in quarantine and subjected to the Pasteur treatment; after ninety days they were pronounced well and safe to be at large and were released.

The third dog developed a true case of dumb rabies and was condemned and ordered killed by the State authorities.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK B. STRATTON,

*Inspector of Animals.*

## Report of Street Lights Committee.

### *To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your Committee on Street Lights have no lengthy report to make at this time. We are now on our second year of the five years' contract with the Lynn Gas and Electric Co., which began October 1, 1911, the first sliding scale in the price of arc lamps. First year, price \$73.00; second year, price \$72.50; third year, price \$72.00; fourth and fifth years, \$71.50.

The Town at present is paying yearly for 116 arcs and 124 incandescents: the price of the latter is \$17.50 per lamp. This is a saving on the small lamps of fifty cents each per annum to the Town, the former price having been \$18.00 each. During the past year we have taken out the two gas lamps under the Burrill Street bridge of the B. & M. R. R. replacing the same with incandescent lamps, a saving to the Town of over \$50 a year.

Our streets are well lighted, the people expect them to be, considering the large amount of money they are paying, indeed so far as the Committee's observations go we think we lead them all.

Cities and Towns are trying to improve the lighting system, this Town may congratulate itself that it is above the average in the matter of well lighted streets.

The City of Lynn where is located the Home Company which sells the street light to Lynn, Saugus, Nahant and Swampscott, is trying to improve her street lighting system. The Mayor is giving the matter much thought, no doubt the

Council will act. The Company say they are doing their part: there seems to be but two ways to solve the question, either spend more money adding new lights or get annexed and come over the line into Swampscott where our lamps are always trimmed and burning.

We would suggest the cutting of the low branches on many of the trees along our streets thus allowing the light to have a better sweep when the foliage is out.

Your committee recommend an appropriation for the current year of ten thousand seven hundred and fifty (\$10,750) dollars.

E. A. FARNHAM,  
J. R. MERRITT,  
M. L. QUINN,  
J. F. CATON,  
E. G. HODGKINS,

*Committee.*

## Report of Cemetery Superintendent.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of the Cemetery.

### **Lots Sold During the Year.**

Three (3) in the new part at \$40.00 each.

Three (3) in the new part at \$45.00 each.

Two (2) in the new part at \$61.00 each.

One (1) in the new at \$69.00 each.

One (1) in the new part at \$79.00 each.

Two (2) single graves at \$15.00 each.

Number of interments, forty-four (44).

The fence along the B. & M. railroad was painted one coat, which greatly improved its appearance.

Suitable signs have been put on most of the avenues, and I would recommend that signs be put on all the avenues and walks in both the old and new part.

Alterations have been made on the waiting room and a private hedge was planted along the wall in the new part of cemetery, also shrubs were planted in new part, back of Town tomb.

I would recommend that the cemetery be repiped with larger pipe, and with more faucets for the care and maintenance of the cemetery. I would recommend that \$1,600 be appropriated.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. SMITH,

*Superintendent.*

## REPORT OF Superintendent of Moth Work.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :*

GENTLEMEN,—The winter treating of egg patches with creosote and the removal of brown tail nests were completed on all property in the residential part of the Town with a force of twelve men for about six weeks in the spring. Then the number was reduced to six men who worked only half time in the fall.

The method of combating the moths has been the same as last year with one exception, no burlap has been used. The results of thorough spraying have proved to be more practical and economical than burlaping.

In addition to what was sprayed last year the woods east of the Phillips school, bounded by the Marblehead track and Humphrey street were sprayed with very satisfactory results. The power sprayer was used in the woods and for large trees, the hand outfit to suppress small infestations on shrubbery and fruit trees. Over three tons of arsenate of lead was used.

On the outskirts of the Town there are a number of old stone walls infested with gypsy moth eggs. It was planned to burn them out with burning oil but owing to the dry weather during the spring this was not done for fear of damage by fire. Trees growing near the walls were tanglefooted to prevent the larva from ascending them. Eleven hundred pounds of tanglefoot was used.

More cavities in trees have been tinned over this year to keep out the gypsy moth eggs. All old tin patches have been painted over to prevent them from rusting.

About a hundred feet on each side of the State Road, the Town's land at the standpipe, the hill back of the stone crusher and each side of Salem street were mowed over.

Parasites, although numerous in Town, have not, as yet, been of any perceptible economic value. However, the "Wilt" disease which was planted in the woods last spring worked well and the live egg patches there this fall are comparatively few. In September some diseased material of the brown tail moths was introduced into a colony on the State Road. The result of this will not be apparent until spring.

The private work this year, the receipts for which are not available to this department, has been considerable in excess of the past. It was necessary that \$300 be appropriated at a Special Town Meeting in order that the fall work might be carried on. The total appropriation for the year was \$4,800. The receipts for private work were over \$1,600 making the actual cost of moth work only \$3,200.

The combined methods of treatment have given very satisfactory results the past year. A lot of new territory was covered and the outlook is certainly encouraging for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT P. MUDGE,

*Superintendent of Moth Work.*



## Report of Tree Warden.

### *To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

I herewith submit the following report:

There were thirty-four trees planted this year, and nine removed. Those planted are as follows: Essex avenue 1, Sheridan road 4, Norfolk avenue 8, Walker road 3, Banks road 3, Middlesex avenue 2, Redington street 2, Farragut road 4, Ellis road 1, Maple avenue 3, Columbia street 1, Highland street 1, and Outlook road 1.

Those removed: Burrill street 3, Essex street 1, Elmwood road 1, Redington street 1, Essex avenue 1, Ellis road 1, and Middlesex avenue 1.

All guards and wires on trees have been adjusted. One thousand feet of wire has been put on trees where it was needed.

Dead limbs have been cut out of large trees on Burrill street, Boynton street, Humphrey street, Essex street, Claremont terrace and at the Cemetery.

Considerable trimming was done on Ocean avenue to open up the street so that vehicles could pass without coming in contact with the low limits.

Branches that hang too low over the sidewalks were removed from trees in all parts of the Town.

One large cavity in a willow on Orient street was cemented. It took a barrel of cement which was supplied by the abutter. All old cement plugs were painted over.

The Town elms were sprayed and the beetle has been kept well under control. The foliage showed no signs of being eaten

during the whole summer. However, the leopard moth is still working inside the limbs under the bark and not until a branch is broken off do we know what he has been doing. Many have been killed by pushing a wire in the hole made by the borer and twisting it around until it reaches him.

I recommend the following for the coming year: Supervision \$75, new trees \$75, removing trees \$75, tree guards and wires \$75, elm leaf beetle \$100 and for trimming trees \$150, making a total of \$550.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT P. MUDGE,

*Tree Warden.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO DISPOSE OF  
BUILDINGS UPON AND CLEAR THE  
PREMISES KNOWN AS SITE NO. 1,  
ON REDINGTON STREET.

SWAMPSCOTT, January 1, 1912.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your Committee, consisting of the Board of Selectmen and Building Committee, having power to dispose of the buildings as we deemed expedient, and having first ascertained that the School Committee did not wish to use any of them for school purposes, advertised the same for sale in the local papers and by posting upon the premises.

With the exception of the stable upon the Chick Estate the buildings were sold to the highest bidder, the schoolhouse to be torn down and permits given to move the two houses. The fences were partly disposed of by private sale and partly given the Surveyor of Highways. The stable upon the Chick Estate was advertised to be disposed of by auction, to be torn down and removed, which netted the Town \$120.00 more than if we had accepted the amount previously bid.

The buildings upon the schoolhouse property and Wiley Estate were removed before building operations began, but due to proceedings pending in the Supreme Judicial Court against the Town relating to the validity of the taking we could not molest the buildings upon the Chick Estate. In consideration of the use of these buildings up to and until October 20, 1911, the above suit was dismissed and the stable removed before November 20, 1911, not in any way interfering with the build-

ing of the schoolhouse. By agreement between Mr. Scott Tuttle, who purchased the small house, and J. E. Locatelli, contractor, this house will remain for the Contractor's use, and in due time will be removed.

Following is the statement of the finances, the receipts reverting to the Treasury and expenses charged to the Legislative Department.

## RECEIPTS.

Schoolhouse, Thomas S. Robinson . . . .	\$226 00
Wiley House, H. Scott Tuttle . . . .	125 00
Chick House, H. Scott Tuttle . . . .	155 00
Chick Stable, H. Scott Tuttle . . . .	230 00
Fence, Aaron Bunting . . . .	10 00
Fence, Richard Gilley . . . .	3 00
Total receipts . . . .	<u>\$749 00</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

Advertising in Lynn Item . . . .	\$ 4 50
Painting signs, E. W. Rowell . . . .	4 00
Auctioneering, Henry C. Paul . . . .	5 00
Total expenditures . . . .	<u>\$13 50</u>
Balance . . . .	\$735 50

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,  
A. W. STUBBS,  
E. H. KITFIELD,  
S. P. CONGDON,  
CHARLES P. JEFFERS,  
J. HENRY WELCH.

## REPORT OF Sealer of Weights and Measures.

The following is the report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending January 1, 1912:

Total number of balances and platform scales tested from

April 1, 1911, to January 1, 1912 . . . . .	88
Number of weights tested . . . . .	204
Number of measures tested . . . . .	176
Number of weights condemned . . . . .	4
Number of measures condemned . . . . .	6
Number of balances condemned . . . . .	2
Number of milk bottles sealed . . . . .	50
Number of milk bottles condemned . . . . .	4
Number of yard sticks sealed . . . . .	4

Total amount received \$27.81 for above, which I turned over to the Town Treasurer and for which I hold a receipt.

The standard embraces the following: One avoirdupois balance, fifty pounds. One set of avoirdupois weights, sixteen divisions, drachms, one two divisions: ounces, one-quarter, one-half, one, two, four, eight: pounds, one, two, four, five, ten, twenty, twenty-five, fifty.

One set of liquid measures of six dimensions, one gill, one-half pint, one quart, two quarts, one gallon.

One set of dry measures, five divisions, one quart, two quarts, one-half peck, one peck, one-half bushel.

One yard measure, ten fifty-pound, weights: one balance for testing small weights: one steel stamp, 1912; one hammer, two drills, one bitstock, one breast drill, one tripod, one tin tube, ten graduating glasses.

ALFRED G. WATTS,

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*



## Schoolhouse Site.

At the special adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting held March 27, 1911, it was voted to take in fee two certain parcels of land situated on Redington street and known as the Bethuel Wiley estate and I. W. Chick estate for schoolhouse purposes.

The necessary papers containing a description of the property were filed at the Registry of Deeds within sixty days as provided for under Section 48, Chapter 25, Revised Laws.

Subsequent to above vote injunction proceedings were brought against the Town by I. W. Chick contesting the legality of the vote. The court deciding in favor of the Town the case was appealed and according to agreements filed the Town could not go upon the property of I. W. Chick until the case was decided or dismissed. On condition that I. W. Chick have use of his property on Redington street up to October 20 by agreement the case was dismissed.

The Selectmen and Mrs. Bethuel Wiley have agreed upon the sum of \$4,000 for all damages sustained from taking of her property and the amount has been paid her from money in the treasury.

The Selectmen and Mr. I. W. Chick have not come to any agreement as to damages sustained from taking of his property although we have made a proposition to settle upon a basis of \$10,000.

We recommend that this amount of money be appropriated.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON.

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

## REPORT OF The Water and Sewerage Board.

### WATER DEPARTMENT.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

The Water Board respectfully submit their fourteenth annual report.

Your Commissioners have, during the past year, been obliged to practise the strictest economy in order to meet the expense of the department and keep pace with the growth of the Town in making extensions to meet the new water takers; with the limited amount of funds at our disposal we have been unable to replace any of the old cement-lined pipe with cast-iron during the year 1911.

Soon after the beginning of the new year we petitioned the Legislature to pass an act making it possible for the Town to issue \$50,000 more in water bonds, at times when needed, for construction and extension purposes; this bill is now in the hands of the Committee of the House and our Representative informs us that he sees no reason why its passage should be delayed.

During the coming summer or fall we believe it imperative, and recommend, that the six-inch pipe line in Greenwood avenue be extended, from just below King street down over the hill to Humphrey street, so that in case of a break in Humphrey street, between Blaney street and Greenwood avenue, the lower part of the Town will not be wholly without water.

We further recommend that a six-inch main be laid in extension of Rockland street, through land of Charles E. Phillips to the right to Humphrey street, this property is to be improved this year and Mr. Phillips guarantees the Town six per cent upon the amount expended until such time as the revenue from water meets the interest.

In addition to the above we feel it necessary to recommend that this year the eight-inch cement-lined pipe in Orient street, from the Ocean House to the junction of Humphrey street and Atlantic avenue, be replaced with a ten-inch cast-iron main, a distance of about 4,500 feet; this pipe was laid in the early eighties and possibly would last for some time yet without trouble, but you must realize the anxiety of your Commissioners who know that a serious break in this line would cut off many valuable properties on the Jeffries, Galloupe, Lodge and Little estates and cause a serious menace in case of fire.

In order to carry out the above work and meet the usual calls for extensions we recommend that bonds be issued to the amount of \$15,000 under the Acts of 1912.

The daily average consumption of water in the Town for the year 1911 shows an increase of about 15,000 gallons a day over 1910, the daily average for 1910 being 412,800 gallons and for 1911, 427,700; the per capita consumption remains the same, 59 gallons. The total consumption for the year 1911 was 156,121,000 gallons. The Metropolitan assessment for 1912 is estimated at \$11,000, a slight increase over the 1911 assessment of \$10,651.30.

WILLIAM H. BATES,  
SAMUEL M. KEHOE,  
I. IRVING, EDGERLY,

*Water and Sewerage Board.*

**Relaying and Extension of Mains.**

Ocean View avenue . . .	348	feet of 6-inch cast-iron
Humphrey street (two inch removed) . . . . .	498	" " " "
Mountwood road . . . . .	300	" " " "
Andrew road (two inch removed) . . . . .	610	" " " "
Sheridan road (two inch removed) . . . . .	422	" " " "
Millett road . . . . .	214	" " " "
Greenwood avenue . . . . .	120	" " " "
Buena Vista street . . . . .	190	" " " "
Rockland street . . . . .	87	" " " "
Roy street . . . . .	75	" " " "
Crescent street . . . . .	50	" " " "
Bristol avenue . . . . .	398	feet of 2-inch galvanized
Harrison avenue . . . . .	148	" " " "
Eulow street . . . . .	182	" " " "
Fuller terrace . . . . .	253	" " " "
Valley avenue . . . . .	129	" " " "
Bambina court . . . . .	191	" " " "
Yawata street . . . . .	191	" " " "
Wright street . . . . .	298	" " " "

**Cost of Construction, including Hydrants and Gates.**

Ocean View avenue . . . . .	\$772	16
Humphrey street . . . . .	771	54
Mountwood road . . . . .	612	05
Andrew road . . . . .	524	13
Sheridan road . . . . .	376	77
Millett road . . . . .	304	84
Greenwood avenue . . . . .	209	90
Buena Vista street . . . . .	94	02
Rockland street . . . . .	88	09
Roy street . . . . .	39	17
Crescent street . . . . .	29	86

*Amount carried forward,*

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\$3,822 53

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3,822 53	
Wright street . . . . .	219 79	
Bristol avenue . . . . .	121 24	
Harrison avenue . . . . .	48 74	
Eulow street . . . . .	69 24	
Fuller terrace . . . . .	53 30	
Valley avenue . . . . .	43 95	
Bambina court . . . . .	55 41	
Yawata street . . . . .	52 64	
	<hr/>	\$4,486 84

## Gates were Located as Follows:

Ocean View avenue . . . . .	1 6-inch gate
Humphrey street . . . . .	1 6-inch gate
Andrew road . . . . .	2 6-inch gates
Sheridan road . . . . .	2 6-inch gates
Millett road . . . . .	1 6 inch gate
Greenwood avenue . . . . .	1 6-inch gate
Buena Vista street . . . . .	1 6-inch gate
Bristol avenue . . . . .	1 2-inch gate
Harrison avenue . . . . .	1 2-inch gate
Eulow street . . . . .	1 2-inch gate
Fuller terrace . . . . .	1 2-inch gate
Valley avenue . . . . .	1 2-inch gate
Bambina court . . . . .	1 2-inch gate
Wright street . . . . .	1 2-inch gate

## Hydrants were Located as Follows:

Roy street . . . . .	1
Ocean View avenue . . . . .	1
Humphrey street (near Hotel Belliveau) . . . . .	1

Total number of hydrants . . . . .	151
Total number of gates . . . . .	331
Total number of water takers . . . . .	1,535
New services added during 1911 . . . . .	66
Services metered . . . . .	1,535
Services unmetered . . . . .	None

**Sizes, Construction and Length, in Feet, of Distributing Pipes in  
Swampscott, January 1, 1912.**

	Wrought Iron	Cast Iron	Cement Lined	Kalamein	Totals
1-inch	893				893
1½-inch	2,565				2,565
2-inch	12,333				12,333
3-inch	1,088				1,088
4-inch		6,958	333	1,734	9,025
6-inch		56,269	2,813	1,725	60,807
8-inch		5,603	4,135		9,738
10-inch		13,347		694	14,041
12-inch		7,390			7,390
Totals	16,879	89,567	7,281	4,153	117,880

**Meters Purchased from February 1, 1911 to January 1, 1912, and  
Cost of Same.**

25 5-8 Lambert . . . . .	\$210 00	
6 3-4 Lambert . . . . .	75 60	
3 1-inch Lambert . . . . .	50 40	
1 1½-inch Lambert . . . . .	30 00	
1 2-inch Lambert . . . . .	50 00	
25 5-8 Hersey . . . . .	185 00	
		\$601 00
Total cost of meters to Jan. 1, 1912.	\$13,735 25	
Stock on hand at storage house . . . . .	980 24	
Total value of Swampscott Water Plant Jan. 1, 1912 . . . . .	162,175 49	
Water Bonds outstanding Jan. 1, 1912 :		
Thirty year loan, provided for by Sinking Fund and due Aug. 1, 1928 . . . . .	150,000 00	
Serial Bond Loan, \$3,000 due April 1 each year, 1912 to 1939 . . . . .	84,000 00	
		\$234,000 00
Value of Sinking Fund Jan. 1, 1912.		52,148 61
Total net Water Debt, Jan. 1, 1912.		\$181,851 39
Total net Water Debt, Jan. 1, 1911,		189,508 17



Reduction of Water Debt for year	
1911 . . . . .	\$7,656 78
Increase of Sinking Fund for eleven months, Feb. 1, 1911 to Jan. 1, 1912 . . . . .	4,656 78
Six months interest on \$25,000 in bonds included in Sinking Fund will be received Feb. 1, 1912 . . . . .	437 50

**Financial Statement for the Eleven Months Ending  
December 31, 1911.**

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand January 31, 1911 . . . . .	\$2,377 14	
Received for water . . . . .	29,518 60	
Received for service pipes and labor, . . . . .	1,252 18	
Appropriated by the Town (for new construction) . . . . .	3,000 00	
Rent of old Pumping Station . . . . .	420 00	
Rent of land for signs (Thompson's Meadow) . . . . .	81 65	
Sale of grass (Thompson's Meadow), . . . . .	10 00	
Interest on guarantees . . . . .	234 78	
Interest on Town Treasurer's deposits, . . . . .	107 26	
	<hr/>	\$37,001 61

## EXPENSES.

## Maintenance Account.

## Metropolitan Assessments :

Interest . . . . .	\$6,464 14	
Sinking Fund . . . . .	2,352 89	
Maintenance . . . . .	1,811 44	
Interest, Serial Bonds . . . . .	22 83	

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\$10,651 30

Supervision and labor 2,574 15

Supplies . . . . . 1,275 47

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\$14,500 92

Construction account . . . . . 4,486 84

Labor and material, installing meters, 1,225 84

Meters purchased . . . . . 601 00

Relaying service pipes . . . . . 1,130 71

Service pipes and fittings . . . . . 1,370 72

Repairs . . . . . 328 07

Service expense . . . . . 646 36

Legal expense . . . . . 60 65

Engineering expense . . . . . 137 13

Miscellaneous expense . . . . . 521 81

Taxes, City of Salem . . . . . 14 80

Paid on principal of 30 year Serial

Loan . . . . . 3,000 00

Sinking Fund (1928 Loan) . . . . . 3,000 00

Interest on Bonds (1928 Loan) . . . . . 2,730 00

Interest on Bonds (Serial Loan) . . . . . 2,992 50

Balance in hands of Town Treasurer,

January 1, 1912 . . . . . 254 26

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\$37,001 61

## Balance Sheet, January 1, 1912.

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## Unpaid:

Fractional account, Feb. 1, 1911,	\$50 91
Service account,     "     "	103 46
July, 1909, excess,     "     "	25 64
Oct., 1909, excess     "     "	44 64
Jan., 1910, excess,     "     "	40 33
April, 1910, excess     "     "	2 35
July, 1910 excess     "     "	138 43
Aug., 1910, excess,     "     "	119 39
Sept., 1910, excess,     "     "	83 49
Oct. 1910 excess,     "     "	456 81
Jan., 1911, excess,     "     "	1,494 74
Jan., 1910, minimum     "     "	85 00
Jan., 1911,     "     "     "	18,376 50
April, 1911. excess     .     .     .	246 08
July, 1911,     "     .     .     .	2,139 43
Aug., 1911     "     .     .     .	1,275 25
Sept., 1911     "     .     .     .	1,221 69
Oct., 1911     "     .     .     .	2,527 72
Fractional 1911 account .     .     .	3,085 49
Services 1911 account .     .     .	1,622 06
Land rent     .     .     .     .	442 92
Sign rent     .     .     .     .	81 65
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	\$33,663 98

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Cash received . . . . .	\$31,517 21
Rebates . . . . .	321 29
Shut-offs . . . . .	112 00
Unpaid fraction account . . . . .	157 70
Service account . . . . .	228 56
Land rent . . . . .	22 92
July, 1909 excess . . . . .	17 47
Oct., 1909 " . . . . .	20 61
Jan., 1910 minimum . . . . .	16 00
Jan., 1910 excess . . . . .	14 99
April, 1910 " . . . . .	2 35
July, 1910 " . . . . .	17 29
Oct., 1910 " . . . . .	25 33
Jan., 1911 minimum . . . . .	357 00
Jan., 1911 excess . . . . .	43 18
July, 1911 " . . . . .	108 39
Aug., 1911 " . . . . .	25 98
Sept., 1911 " . . . . .	60 15
Oct., 1911 " . . . . .	595 56

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 \$33,663 98

### Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund.

As Trustees of the Sinking Fund, and in compliance with Chapter 293 of the Acts of 1898, we submit the following report for the eleven months prior to January 1, 1912 :

Amount of funds as per report of	
1910-11 . . . . .	\$47,491 83

#### RECEIPTS.

Interest on \$21,000 Swampscott Water Bonds, six months . . . .	367 50
Interest on \$2,000 Swampscott Sewer Bonds, one year . . . .	70 00
Interest on \$5,000 Town of Reading, 4½ per cent, one year . . . .	225 00
Interest on \$5,000 Town of Revere, 4 per cent, one year . . . .	200 00
Interest on \$5,000 Town of Ipswich 4 per cent, one year . . . .	200 00
Interest on \$3,000 City of Lynn 4 per cent, one year . . . .	120 00
Interest on \$1,000 City of Lynn 4 per cent, one year . . . .	40 00
Interest on \$3,000 City of New Bed- ford 3½ per cent, six months . .	52 50
Interest on \$1,000 City of Haverhill, 4 per cent, one year . . . .	40 00
Interest on \$1,000 Town of Great Barrington, 4 per cent, one year,	40 00
Interest on \$1,000 Town of Ames- bury, 4 per cent, six months . .	20 00
Interest on \$1,000 City of Pittsfield, 3½ per cent, one year . . . .	35 00

*Amount carried forward,*

\$48,901 83

<i>Amount brought forward.</i>		\$48,901 83
Interest on \$1,000 City of Quincy, 3½ per cent, one year . . . .		35 00
Interest from the following banks:		
Warren Five Cent Savings . . . .		38 36
Lynn Institution for Savings . . . .		13 83
Commonwealth Savings, Lynn . . . .		10 65
Security Trust Company, Lynn . . . .		4 95
Reserved for Sinking Fund as pro- vided by law, 2 per cent, on \$150,000 bonds outstanding . . . .		3,000 00
Gain on \$1,000 Swampscott Water Bond purchased from R. L. Day & Co. at \$945.00 . . . .		55 00
Gain on \$1,000 City of Pittsfield, purchased of E. H. Rollins & Sons at \$954.60 . . . .		45 40
Gain on \$2,000 City of Quincy, pur- chased of E. H. Rollins & Sons, at \$940.00 . . . .		120 00
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		\$52,225 02

Deduct premium and interest upon  
the following :

Three months and ten days City of Quincy, 3½ per cent s . . . .	\$9 72	
One month twenty-nine days, City of Quincy, 3½ per cent s . . . .	5 74	
Two months one day, City of Pitts- field, 3½ per cent s . . . .	6 81	
One month seventeen days City of Lynn, 4 per cent, purchased of W. A. Read & Co. at 101.20 . . . .	17 22	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$39 49	\$52,225 02

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$39 49	\$52,225 02
One month seven days City of Lynn, 4 per cent s, purchased of W. A. Read & Co. at 101.20 . . . .	16 11	
Four months fourteen days, Town of Amesbury, 4 per cent s, purchased of W. A. Read & Co. at par . . . .	14 89	
Two months 1 day, Swampscott Water Bond . . . . .	5 92	
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		\$52,148 61

## Investments.

\$22,000 Swampscott Water Bonds, registered $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent s, due 1928.	\$22,000 00
\$2,000 Swampscott Sewer Bonds, registered $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent s, due 1921 and 1923 . . . . .	2,000 00
\$5,000 Town of Reading Municipal Light Loan, registered $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent s, due 1923-27 . . . . .	5,000 00
\$2,000 Town of Ipswich Engine House Loan, registered 4 per cent s, due 1926-27 . . . . .	2,000 00
\$3,000 Town of Ipswich Water Loan, registered 4 per cent s, due 1924 . . . . .	3,000 00
\$5,000 Town of Revere Schoolhouse Loan, registered 4 per cent s, due 1920-27 . . . . .	5,000 00
\$3,000 City of New Bedford Sewer Loan, registered $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent s, due 1928 . . . . .	3,000 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$42,000 00



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$42,000 00	
\$3,000 City of Lynn Water Loan, + per cent s, registered, due 1927,	3,000 00	
\$1,000 City of Lynn, registered + per cent s, 1927 . . . . .	1,000 00	
\$1,000 Town of Great Barrington Water Loan, + per cent, due 1923.	1,000 00	
\$1,000 City of Haverhill School- house Loan, + per cent s, due 1926 . . . . .	1,000 00	
\$1,000 City of Pittsfield Schoolhouse Loan, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent s . . . . .	1,000 00	
\$1,000 Town of Amesbury Water Loan, + per cent, due 1918 . . . .	1,000 00	
\$2,000 City of Quincy Water Loan, + per cent s registered, due 1927 .	2,000 00	
On deposit in Security Trust Com- pany, Lynn . . . . .	148 61	
	<hr/>	\$52,148 61

WILLIAM H. BATES,

SAMUEL M. KEHOE,

I. IRVING EDGERLY.

*Trustees of the Sinking Fund.*

SWAMPSCOTT, January 1, 1912.

REPORT OF  
Water and Sewerage Board.

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SEWER DEPARTMENT.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Your Commissioners have realized for some time that the old pumps at the Sewer Station were in very bad shape. One of the eight-inch centrifugal pumps we had rebuilt in July and reinstalled in order to handle the sewage at that time: soon after one of the boilers was found to be in a dangerous condition, one of the sheets being completely rusted through, causing a bad leak, making it necessary to remove the boiler and place a large patch upon the same: this may make this boiler last for a year or two longer, but in the near future provision must be made for new boilers.

We have recently purchased a new ten-inch centrifugal pump, driven by a fifty horse power vertical motor, this was found necessary owing to the increase of sewage to be handled, this pump which has already been installed, has a capacity of 3,000 gallons per minute, in place of the old one which carried but 1,800.

This gives us what has been needed for some time a complete electrical pumping plant as well as the steam plant.

During the year 1911, sewers have been built in Crescent, Buena Vista, Roy, Columbia, Essex, Highland, King, Rockland and Redington streets, Rock avenue and Banks and Walker roads.

In the above mentioned thoroughfares there have been laid 522 feet of ten-inch, 2,418 feet of eight-inch, 1,217 feet of six inch sewers, 1,399 feet of five-inch particular sewers, and 522 feet of eight-inch underdrain: more than a thousand yards of ledge have been excavated and twenty-six manholes built.

Requests have been filed with us for sewers in Rock avenue, Burrill street end: Greenwood avenue, from the High School to Humphrey street: Mapledale place and also in Melvin avenue and Ontario street; these latter two, will of necessity drain through the Lynn sewer system under an agreement between the City and the Town, negotiations for which are fast nearing completion.

We recommend that the above sewers be built this year, and that the funds now in the hands of the Town Treasurer received for sewer assessments augmented by the sewer assessments received for the current year be drawn upon to carry out the work mentioned.

In addition to the above requests, the abutters on Humphrey street below the Pumping Station have petitioned for a sewer from that point to Humphrey square: while we do not oppose this improvement, we do not feel justified in recommending the building of the same until such time as the Town shall decide just how far east the sewage shall be drained to the present Pumping Station: under the original plan of the sewerage system it was arranged that everything as far as Salem street should be handled by the present Pumping Plant and below that a gravity sewer would take the sewage to an outfall near the Marblehead line: if the Town should decide that the gravity sewer take in houses only as far west as Salem street, then the sewer from the sewer station to Humphrey square will of necessity be a trunk line and in all an expensive proposition, owing to the size of the sewer and the cut to be made for depth: if the gravity sewer should come as far west as Humphrey square, then the sewer in question would need to be but an eight-inch akron pipe sewer.

The estimated cost of sewers asked for this year we give as follows:

Rock avenue, 320 feet of six-inch sewer . . . . .	\$700 00
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Ontario street, 300 feet of six-inch sewer . . . . .	575 00
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Bringing street to grade . . . . .	675 00
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Total . . . . .	<hr/> \$1,250 00
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Melvin avenue, 250 feet of six-inch sewer . . . . .	\$500 00
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Mapledale place, 520 feet 6-inch cast-iron pipe in place . . . . .	\$790 00
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624 feet of 6-inch akron pipe in place . . . . .	624 00
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25 cubic yards ledge at \$8.00 . . . . .	200 00
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6 manholes at \$50.00 . . . . .	300 00
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House connections . . . . .	150 00
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Engineering . . . . .	200 00
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Total . . . . .	<hr/> \$2,264 00
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Greenwood avenue, 481 feet 8-inch pipe laid . . . . .	500 00
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520 feet of 6-inch akron pipe . . . . .	520 00
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280 cubic yards ledge at \$8.00 . . . . .	2,240 00
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6 manholes at \$50.00 . . . . .	300 00
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House connections . . . . .	250 00
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Engineering . . . . .	390 00
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Total . . . . .	<hr/> \$4,200 00
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#### Humphrey Street.

2,886 feet of 15-inch and 8-inch pipe at \$1.50 . . . . .	\$4,327 00
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550 yards ledge at \$8.00 . . . . .	4,400 00
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15 manholes at \$50.00 . . . . .	750 00
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25 house connections . . . . .	400 00
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Engineering . . . . .	988 00
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<hr/> \$10,865 00
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We would further recommend that one hundred feet of sewer be built in Upper King street; this location being all ledge would cost about \$500.

WILLIAM H. BATES,

SAMUEL M. KEHOE,

I. IRVING EDGERLY.

*Water and Sewerage Board.*

## Financial Statement, December 31, 1912.

## SEWER DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriated for maintenance, 1911		\$5,200 00
Appropriated for construction, 1911		15,600 00
Appropriated for repairs, pumping ing station . . . . .		2,000 00
Sewer assessments collected :		
Frontage and area assessments . . . . .	\$5,045 65	
Particular sewer assessments . . . . .	1,484 70	
Underdrain assessments . . . . .	60 83	
Interest on sewer assessments . . . . .	122 12	
	<hr/>	\$6,713 30
Sale of cement bags, Lynn Gas & Electric Co. . . . .		35 00
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		\$29,548 30

## EXPENDITURES.

Maintenance :		
Pay-rolls . . . . .	\$2,912 02	
Supervision, . . . . .	450 00	
Fuel . . . . .	518 04	
Water . . . . .	260 36	
Supplies . . . . .	616 02	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	440 76	
	<hr/>	\$5,197 20
Construction . . . . .		15,600 00
Repairs, pumping station . . . . .		1,976 09
Balances in hand of Town Treasurer :		
Maintenance account . . . . .	\$2 80	
Repair account . . . . .	23 91	
Receipts . . . . .	35 00	
Sewer assessment account . . . . .	6,713 30	
	<hr/>	6,775 01
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		\$29,548 30

## SEWER DEBT.

Sewer bonds outstanding February 1, 1911 . . . . .	\$186,200 00
Sewer bonds issued during 1911 . . . . .	15,600 00
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	\$201,800 00
Sewer bonds paid during 1911 . . . . .	5,600 00
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Sewer bonds outstanding January 1, 1912 . . . . .	\$196,200 00

## Sewer Department Assessments.

## DEBITS.

Frontage and Area Assessment balance February 1, 1911 . . . . .	\$ 3,353 79
New assessments (Section One) . . . . .	2,081 00
New assessments (Section Two) . . . . .	2,723 43
New assessments (Section Three) . . . . .	4,823 32
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	\$12,981 54

## CREDITS.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer . . . . .	\$5,045 65
Balance to be collected . . . . .	7,935 89
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	\$12,981 54

## DEBITS.

Particular sewer and drain assessments, balance, February 1, 1911. . . . .	\$660 01
New assessments (Section One) . . . . .	579 96
New assessments (Section Two) . . . . .	551 47
New assessments (Section Three) . . . . .	1,243 46
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	\$3,034 90

## CREDITS.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer, . . . . .	\$1,484 70
Balance to be collected . . . . .	1,550 20
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	\$3,034 90



## Sewers Built in 1911.

Location	10-in.	8-in.	6-in.	5-in. con.	8-in. under.
Banks and Walker roads . . .	.	940.67	133.65	248.50	
Buena Vista and Roy streets . . .	.	190.00	80.00	65.00	
Columbia street . . .	.	101.29	374.28	160.40	
Crescent street . . .	.	400.70		200.00	
Essex street, two contracts . . .	.	177.63		258.90	522.29
Highland and Rockland street . . .	.	309.00		101.00	
King street . . .	.		270.10	118.00	
Rock avenue . . .	.		299.20	82.00	
Rockland street . . .	.		60.00	51.00	
Redington street . . .	.	298.95		114.30	
	522.29	2,418.24	1,217.23	1,399.10	522.29

# Cost of Sewers Built in 1911.

Location.	Manholes.	Cu. Yards Ledge.	Contract.	Engineering	Total
Banks and Walker roads . . .	6	37.72	\$1,791 01	\$204 23	\$1,995 24
Buena Vista and Roy streets . . .	3	228.00	2,523 30	259 92	2,783 22
Columbia street . . .	3	.50	665 28	77 52	742 80
Crescent street . . .	2	365.00	2,504 00	170 45	2,674 45
Essex Street. Two contracts . . .	3	1.24	1,823 40	129 26	1,952 66
Highland and Rockland Streets . . .	1	131.00	1,028 25	30 10	1,058 35
King Street . . .	2	120.00	1,432 00	59 27	1,491 27
Rock Avenue . . .	2	29.80	733 40	71 76	805 16
Rockland Street . . .	1		475 00	21 71	496 71
Redington Street . . .	3	99.50	1,443 59	105 26	1,548 85
	26	1,012.76	14,419 23	1,129 48	15,548 71

## REPORT OF

### Committee to Purchase Stone Crusher.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Your Committee appointed at the Annual Town Meeting held March 21, 1911, to purchase a Stone Crusher as recommended by the Superintendent of Highways in his Annual Report would report as follows:

After visiting several of the Cities and Towns in this vicinity, and seeing the various makes of Crushers in operation it was decided that one similar to that being operated at the Town's plant at that time was best adapted for the use of the Town for years to come.

Bids were advertised for and received as follows:

#### A. B. Black Road Machine Co.

Aurora, No. 1	.	.	.	.	\$700 00
Aurora, No. 2	.	.	.	.	850 00
Austin, No. 12	.	.	.	.	950 00
Reliance	.	.	.	.	950 00
12-16 inch	.	.	.	.	625 00

#### Perrin Seamans Co.

Farrell 10-20	.	.	.	.	\$1,117 50
Special	.	.	.	.	1,072 50

## Good Roads Machine Co.

Champion No. 4 1-2	.	.	.	930 00
Champion	.	.	.	850 00
Fort Wayne, 9-19	.	.	.	575 00
Farrell, No. 8	.	.	.	1,025 00

After careful consideration it was voted to purchase from the Good Roads Machine Co., a Farrell No. 8, for \$1,025, a Crusher of this style and make having been in operation by the Town with good success since the establishing of the Town's Stone Crushing Plant.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,  
MICHAEL J. RYAN,

*Committee.*

## Report of the Town Engineer.

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### *To the Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN, — Herewith I submit to your Honorable Board this, my third annual report of the services performed for the various Town departments, by the Engineering Department for the eleven months ending December 30, 1911.

#### **Assessors' Department.**

During the year ending April 1, 1911, there have been recorded at the Essex County, South District, Registry of Deeds at Salem, 354 transfers of real estate situated in the Town of Swampscott. These deeds have each been copied twice, and the proper alterations have been made upon the Assessors' plans and the card system to correspond, so that the plans and card system should be corrected to April 1, 1911. All recorded plans of Swampscott property made during the year ending April 1, 1911, have been copied. This work is necessary each year if the Assessors' Department is to be properly informed of the many changes in ownership of Swampscott property.

#### **Banks Road.**

During the past year that part of Banks road lying between Farragut road and Walker road was reconstructed by the Highway Department. The proper lines and grades for this work were given from time to time and stone monuments defining the lines of the road were put in place by this department.

### Continuous Sidewalks.

New curbstone to the amount of 3,175.44 lineal feet have been put in place at different streets by the Highway Department under the supervision of the Engineering Department, also about 340 linear feet of old curbstone have been reset. Granolithic sidewalks to the extent of 1,941.96 square yards have been laid by M. McDonough. Lines and grades for this work were given and the construction work was inspected by this department.

New tar concrete sidewalks amounting to 228.81 square yards, were put in and old-tar concrete sidewalks were repaired by replacing with new tar concrete to the extent of 482.03 square yards and by resurfacing with tar concrete the amount of 1,615.39 square yards. This work was done by J. H. McLaughlin and measured and wherever necessary lines and grades for the same were given by this department.

Also 295.88 linear feet of new curbstone were set at various street corners under a special appropriation for the same, by the Highway Department, this work being done under the direction of this department.

### Cemetery.

Lines were given at the cemetery for setting curbing at the corner of one lot.

### Catch Basins and Drains.

Catch basins were built and drains connecting the same were laid on King street and across land of Haley and land of Johnson to Rockland street by the Highway Department, and lines and grades for the construction work were given by this department.

### Highway Department.

Lines and grades have been given for resurfacing a part of Orient Street near the Lodge estate, for constructing paved gutters on Devens road, and for building foundations for a sand shed at the stone crusher lot on Paradise road. Stone monuments, defining the lines, were set at the Kain gravel pit.

### **Selectmen's Department.**

A large plan of the Town of Swampscott, showing public and private streets and roads and all houses, has been made for the use of the Selectmen's Department, and several small surveys and measurements have been made from time to time, as required.

### **School Department.**

Several surveys and plans have been made in connection with the various hearings for the new Redington street schoolhouse, and grades have been given for connecting the building with the sewer on Redington street.

### **New Streets.**

Plans and notices have been prepared for use in hearings on the laying out and acceptance of Bertha street, Humphrey terrace, Tid street and Yawata street.

### **Street Watering and Oiling.**

That part of the surface of New Ocean street and Salem street which was oiled during the past year, has been measured for the purpose of estimating the cost of oiling.

### **Sewer Department.**

The necessary surveys, plans, estimates, contracts, etc. for constructing sewers in the following named streets have been prepared, and the necessary lines and grades, general superintendence and inspection have been furnished by this department. Buena Vista street, Banks road, Columbia street, Crescent street, Essex street, (2 lines of sewer) Highland street, King street, Redington street, Rock avenue, Rockland street, Roy street and Walker road. (For the various sizes of pipes and lengths of sewers, see Sewer Commissioner's report.)



**Water Department.**

The card system showing locations of water gates and house connections has been partly corrected to date, there being some few house connections yet to be located.

The office of this department has been removed during the past year from the Water and Sewer Board room to a room on the second floor of the Town Hall, and as the notes and papers of the department are constantly accumulating and increasing and are of considerable value, I would suggest that for the purpose of protecting the same, a small fire proof safe be procured and placed in the present Engineering Department room.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED H. EASTMAN.

*Town Engineer.*

# ACCOUNTANT'S DEPARTMENT

## REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN,—In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910, I herewith submit the following report of the Accountant's Department:

### Treasurer's Receipts

#### Taxes.

Previous years . . .	\$6,667 42	
Taxes 1911 . . .	159,988 94	
Corporation . . .	15,750 76	
National Bank . . .	5,588 05	
Street Railway . . .	1,064 19	
	<hr/>	\$189,059 36

#### Licenses and Permits.

Junk . . . . .	\$120 00	
Milk . . . . .	20 50	
All other . . . . .	26 00	
	<hr/>	166 50

#### Fines and Forfeits.

Court fines . . . . .	\$239 00	
	<hr/>	239 00

<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/>	\$189,464 86
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*Amount brought forward,*

\$189,464 86

## Special Assessments.

Moth	.	.	.	.	\$1,530 41
Sewer	.	.	.	.	6,713 30
Sidewalk	.	.	.	.	331 85

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 8,575 56

## Privileges.

Excise tax	.	.	.	.	\$588 03
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 588 03

## General Government.

Town Hall	.	.	.	.	\$177 00
Engineering	.	.	.	.	137 13
Rents	.	.	.	.	121 00

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 435 13

## Protection Life and Property.

Ambulance	.	.	.	.	\$16 00
Telephone tolls	.	.	.	.	4 80
Sale horses	.	.	.	.	175 00
Rent	.	.	.	.	12 50

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 208 30

## Sealer Weights and Measures.

Fees	.	.	.	.	\$27 81
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 27 81

## Moth Extermination.

From State	.	.	.	.	\$13 50
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 13 50
*Amount carried forward,*


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 \$199,313 19

*Amount brought forward,*

\$199,313 19

## Health and Sanitation.

Sewer . . . . . \$35 00

35 00

## Highways and Bridges.

Sale materials . . . . \$12 50

Use roller . . . . . 24 00

Continuous sidewalks . . 1,118 55

1,155 05

## Charities.

From cities and towns . . \$327 69

327 69

## Soldiers' Benefits.

State Aid . . . . . \$3,387 00

Soldiers' Burials . . . . 111 00

3,498 00

## Education.

From State . . . . . \$74 50

Building Removal Com-  
mittee . . . . . 749 00

823 50

## Parks and Gardens.

Rents . . . . . \$325 80

From State . . . . . 32 00

357 80

*Amount carried forward,*

\$205,510 23

*Amount brought forward,*

\$205,510 23

## Public Service Enterprises.

Water rates . . . .	\$29,518 60	
Service pipes and labor . .	1,399 91	
Rents . . . . .	501 65	
Sales . . . . .	10 00	
Interest on deposits . . .	194 31	
	<hr/>	\$31,624 47
Cemetery, sale lots . . .		655 00
		<hr/>
		32,279 47

## Interest.

Treasurer's deposit . . .	\$1,445 68	
Taxes . . . . .	3 50	
Cemetery trust funds . .	36 29	
Accrued . . . . .	366 13	
	<hr/>	1,851 60

## Municipal Indebtedness.

Temporary loans . . . .	\$100,000 00	
Town notes . . . . .	100,300 00	
Sewer bonds . . . . .	11,600 00	
Premium . . . . .	3,091 16	
	<hr/>	214,991 16

Cash Balance, Feb. 1, 1911 .

37,124 10

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\$491,756 56

## EXPENDITURES.

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

## Legislative Department.

## Salaries and Wages.

Moderator . . . . .	\$75 00
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## Ways and Means Committee 1910.

Expenses of Committee.	\$92 96	
Printing . . . . .	93 20	
Mailing . . . . .	18 16	
	<hr/>	204 32

## Ways and Means Committee 1911.

Typewriting . . . . .	11 25
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## Building Removal Committee.

Signs . . . . .	\$4 00	
Advertising . . . . .	4 50	
Auctioneer . . . . .	5 00	
	<hr/>	13 50

## Auto Committee.

Expenses . . . . .	9 40
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## Other Expenses.

Counting vehicles . . . . .	7 20	
	<hr/>	\$320 67

<i>Amount carried forward.</i>		<hr/>	\$320 67
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*Amount brought forward,*

\$320 67

**Committee on Schoolhouse.**

## General expense.

Architect . . . .	\$700 00		
Professional services . .	250 50		
Engineering Dept. . .	43 50		
Photographing . . . .	3 00		
	<hr/>	\$997 00	
		<hr/>	997 00

**Selectmen's Department.**

## Salaries and Wages.

Chairman . . . .	\$300 00		
Other Selectmen . . . .	400 00		
Secretary . . . .	150 00		
	<hr/>	\$850 00	

## Other Expenses

Stationery and postage,	\$67 80
Printing and advertising,	26 80
Auto hire . . . .	15 00
Telephone . . . .	71 46
Repairing tenement . .	48 00
Town Scales . . . .	38 72
Town Weigher . . . .	52 30
Constable . . . .	60 00
Chemical tests . . . .	5 00
Scales and balances . .	44 33
Typewriting . . . .	18 85
Expenses Selectmen . .	20 16
Expenses Secretary . .	7 58
Documents . . . .	22 85
Insurance G.A.R. Hall,	45 00
Desk . . . .	49 00

<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$592 85	\$850 00	\$1,317 67
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<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$592 85	\$850 00	\$1,317 67
Appraising property . . .	30 00		
Blackboard . . .	10 80		
Storage hand engine . . .	6 00		
Assessors' sheets . . .	18 53		
Miscellaneous . . .	10 85		
	<hr/>	669 03	
		<hr/>	1,519 03

**Auditing Department.**

## Salaries and Wages.

Auditors . . .	\$175 00	
Accountant . . .	600 00	
	<hr/>	\$775 00

## Other Expenses.

Stationery . . .	10 00	
	<hr/>	785 00

**Treasury Department.**

## Salaries and Wages.

Treasurer . . .	\$600 00	
Assistant . . .	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$750 00

## Other Expenses.

Stationery and postage.	\$3 58	
Printing . . .	2 50	
Teams and carfares . . .	58 10	
Telephone . . .	19 39	
Surety bond . . .	60 00	
Cash book . . .	11 00	
Office fittings . . .	19 00	
Miscellaneous . . .	9 00	
	<hr/>	182 57
		<hr/>
		932 57

*Amount carried forward.*

\$4,554 27

*Amount brought forward,*

\$4,554 27

**Collector of Taxes.**

## Salaries.

Collector . . . . .	\$500 00
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## Other expenses

Stationery and postage . . . . .	\$85 76
Printing and advertising . . . . .	66 40
Books . . . . .	10 00
Expense and fees . . . . .	24 98
Recording . . . . .	15 95
Interest table . . . . .	5 00
Surety bond . . . . .	40 00
	<hr/>
	248 09
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748 09

**Assessors' Department.**

## Salaries and Wages.

Assessors . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Clerks . . . . .	116 25
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	\$1,116 25

## Other Expenses.

Stationery and postage . . . . .	\$2 00
Printing and advertising . . . . .	79 60
Teams and carfares . . . . .	25 00
Telephone . . . . .	16 59
Subscription . . . . .	10 00
Expense of Assessors . . . . .	51 50
Engineering Department. . . . .	298 04
	<hr/>
	482 73
	<hr/>

1,598 98

*Amount carried forward,*

\$6,901 34

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## ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT.

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*Amount brought forward,*

\$6,901 34

**Town Clerk's Department.**

## Salaries.

Town Clerk . . . . .	\$200 00
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## Other expenses.

Stationery . . . . .	\$11 00	
Printing and advertising	4 50	
Retracing records . . .	36 00	
Typewriting . . . . .	20 00	
Expense Town Clerk . . .	3 50	
	<u>75 00</u>	
		275 00

**Law Department.**

## Salaries and Wages.

Town counsel . . . . .	\$200 00
Special services . . . . .	884 00
	<u>\$1,084 00</u>

## Other expenses.

Sheriff . . . . .	\$2 48	
Printing and advertising	30 75	
Witness fees . . . . .	2 50	
Recording . . . . .	2 40	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	11 90	
	<u>50 03</u>	
		1,134 03

**Election and Registration Department.**

## Salaries and Wages.

Registrars . . . . .	\$105 00
Clerk of Board . . . . .	45 00
Election Officers . . . . .	168 50
Constable . . . . .	4 80
	<u>\$323 30</u>

*Amounts carried forward,*

\$323 30 · \$8,310 37

*Amounts brought forward,* \$323 30 \$8,310 37

Other Expenses.

Printing and advertising	\$138 35	
Meals . . . . .	148 80	
	<hr/>	287 15
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		610 45

**Engineering Department.**

Salaries and Wages.

Engineer. . . . .	\$1,379 99	
Assistants . . . . .	1,770 09	
	<hr/>	\$3,150 08

Other Expenses.

Plans. . . . .	\$66 00	
Stationery and postage.	24 18	
Instruments . . . . .	43 00	
Repairs on room . . . . .	54 32	
Furniture . . . . .	195 21	
Typewriting. . . . .	4 00	
Stakes and supplies. . . . .	5 66	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	4 85	
	<hr/>	397 22
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		3,547 30

**Town Hall Department.**

Salaries and Wages.

Agent and Janitor . . . . .	\$768 00	
Assistants . . . . .	34 75	
Cleaning . . . . .	8 45	
	<hr/>	\$811 20

*Amounts carried forward,* \$811 20 \$12,468 12

*Amounts brought forward,*

\$811 20 \$12,468 12

Other Expenses.

Fuel . . . .	\$207 99
Light . . . .	355 13
Janitors' supplies . .	73 43
Repairs . . . .	250 65
Telephone . . . .	119 97
Water cooler . . . .	39 37
Flag pole . . . .	28 00
Ashes removed . . . .	10 50
Plants . . . .	6 23
Ice . . . .	17 10
Miscellaneous . . . .	25 46

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 1,133 83

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 1,945 03
**Town Hall Repairs Department.**

Expenditures.

Painting outside . . .	\$296 00
Painting inside . . .	80 00
Gilding clock . . .	25 00
Carpenter work . . .	16 45
Mason work . . .	15 00
Electrical work . . .	60 00
Advertising . . .	2 10

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 494 55
*Amount carried forward,*


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 \$14,907 70

*Amount brought forward,*

\$14,907 70

**Summary of General Government.**

	Appropriation and Transfers	Expenditures	Balance
Legislative .	\$320 67	\$320 67	
Com. on Sch. ho.	1,000 00	997 00	3 00
Selectmen .	1,519 03	1,519 03	
Auditing .	800 00	785 00	15 00
Treasury .	1,050 00	932 57	117 43
Col. of Taxes.	750 00	748 09	1 91
Assessors .	1,600 00	1,598 98	1 02
Town Clerk .	275 00	275 00	
Law . . .	1,150 00	1,134 03	15 97
Elec. and reg.	625 00	610 45	14 55
Engineering .	3,553 91	3,547 30	6 61
Town Hall .	2,000 00	1,945 03	54 97
T. H. repairs,	500 00	494 55	5 45
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$15,143 61	\$14,907 70	\$235 91

**PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY.****Police Department.***Salaries and Wages.*

Chief . . .	\$1,200 00	
Regular and Spec. Police,	6,363 20	
Other employees .	71 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,634 20

Repairs on buildings .	84 37
Horse hire . . .	60 50

*Fuel and Light.*

Coal and wood . .	\$88 26	
Gas and electricity .	71 71	
	<hr/>	\$159 97

*Amounts carried forward,*

\$7,939 04 \$14,907 70

*Amounts brought forward,* \$7,939 04 \$14,907 70

**Equipment and Repairs.**

Ambulance . . .	\$104 50	
Motor cycle . . .	72 40	
Equipment for men . . .	105 28	
	<hr/>	282 18

**Other Expenses.**

Stationery, printing, post.,	\$19 80	
Telephone . . .	299 80	
Insurance . . .	20 00	
Expenses, Chief and Officers,	95 62	
Disinfectant . . .	12 00	
Furniture repairs . . .	4 90	
Ice . . .	8 40	
Furnace repairs . . .	15 00	
Water cooler . . .	45 90	
Plants . . .	6 75	
Wagon storage . . .	18 00	
Professional services . . .	47 00	
Station supplies . . .	58 15	
Miscellaneous . . .	22 27	
	<hr/>	673 59
	<hr/>	8,894 81

**Fire Department.**

**Salaries and Wages.**

Chief . . .	\$1,200 00	
Assistants . . .	133 34	
Permanent men . . .	5,306 00	
Call men . . .	1,325 49	
Other employees . . .	356 65	
	<hr/>	\$8,321 48
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*Amounts carried forward,* \$8,321 48 \$23,802 51



*Amounts brought forward,* \$8,321 48 \$23,802 51

Horses and Care of Same.

Horses . . . .	\$700 00	
Hay, grain and straw .	1,015 40	
Shoeing . . . .	205 49	
Vet. and medicines .	41 00	
Miscellaneous . .	11 90	
	<hr/>	1,973 79

Fuel and Light.

Coal, wood and coke .	\$181 91	
Gas and electricity. .	161 03	
Gasoline . . . .	16 65	
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Hydrant Service.

Water rental . . .		1,597 50
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Equipment and Repairs.

Apparatus . . . .	\$666 42	
Hose . . . . .	577 81	
Equipment for men .	17 20	
Fire Alarm Boxes, etc.,	567 61	
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Other Expenses.

Disinfectant . . .	\$38 30	
Battery supplies . .	54 22	
Express . . . . .	26 75	
Electrical repairs .	30 24	
Sundry repairs . .	59 85	
Expense of Chief . .	10 75	
Telephone . . . .	87 58	
Insurance . . . .	182 00	
Expense on Committee,	38 66	
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*Amounts carried forward,* \$528 35 \$14,081 40 \$23,802 51

*Amounts brought forward,* \$528 35 \$14,081 40 \$23,802 51

Cesspool . . .	16 00	
Brushes . . .	12 00	
Ice . . .	5 00	
Awnings . . .	14 50	
Miscellaneous . .	106 85	
	<hr/>	682 70

#### Repairs on Buildings.

Carpentry . . .	\$306 79	
Plumbing . . .	64 09	
Painting . . .	118 85	
	<hr/>	489 73
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		15,253 83

#### Sealing Weights and Measures Department.

##### Salaries.

Sealers of Weights and Measures . . .	\$60 00	
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#### Moth Extermination Department.

##### Salaries and Wages.

Superintendent . .	\$699 63	
Labor . . .	3,148 58	
	<hr/>	\$3,848 21

##### Other Expenses.

Teams . . .	\$52 00	
Printing, stationery, post.,	8 90	
Insecticides . .	696 40	
Hardware and tools .	84 92	
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*Amounts carried forward,* \$842 22 \$3,848 21 \$39,116 34

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$842 22	\$3,848 21	\$39,116 34
Telephone . . . .	12 07		
Insurance . . . .	20 00		
Oil and gasolene . .	12 45		
Storage of engines . .	24 00		
Repairs . . . .	5 00		
Freight and express . .	19 71		
Professional services . .	5 00		
Miscellaneous . . . .	12 52		
	<hr/>	952 97	
		<hr/>	4,801 18

### Tree Warden Department.

#### Salaries and Wages

Warden . . . .	\$75 00	
Warden, balance 1910,	35 00	
Labor . . . .	480 75	
	<hr/>	\$590 75

#### Other Expenses.

Teams . . . .	\$77 00	
Hardware and tools . .	46 63	
Trees . . . .	31 50	
Miscellaneous . . . .	3 95	
	<hr/>	159 08
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		749 83

### Dog Officer Department.

#### Salaries.

Dog Officer . . . . .	\$75 00	
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*Amount carried forward,* \$44,742 35

*Amount brought forward,*

\$44,742 35

**Summary of Protection of Life and Property.**

	Appropriation and Transfers	Expenditures	Balance
Police . . .	\$9,000 00	\$8,894 81	\$105 19
Fire . . .	15,270 00	15,253 83	16 17
Seal. Wts. Meas.,	70 00	60 00	10 00
Moth exter'n.	4,896 88	4,801 18	95 70
Tree warden,	750 00	749 83	17
Dog officer .	75 00	75 00	
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	\$30,061 88	\$29,834 65	\$227 23

**HEALTH AND SANITATION.****Health Department.****General Administration.**

Salaries of Board . . .	\$500 00	
Agent and Clerk . . .	75 00	
Stationery and postage,	10 89	
Printing and advertising,	24 75	
Telephone . . . . .	69 03	
All others . . . . .	38 65	
	<hr/>	\$718 32

**Quarantine.**

Board and Treatment . .	\$170 14	
Transportation . . . .	10 00	
Medical . . . . .	3 00	
Drugs and Medicines . .	16 25	
All others . . . . .	12 28	
	<hr/>	211 67

*Amounts carried forward,*

\$929 99 \$44,742 35

*Amounts brought forward,* \$929 99 \$44,742 35

Other Expenses.

Plumbing Inspector . . .	\$601 00	
Fumigating . . .	74 47	
Examination and others,	159 35	
	<hr/>	834 82

Inspection.

Animals . . . . .	\$100 00	
Meat and Provisions . . .	25 00	
Milk and Vinegar . . .	100 00	
Expenses . . . . .	30 75	
	<hr/>	255 75
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		2,020 56

**Sewer Maintenance and Operation.**

Administration.

Commissioners . . . . .	\$350 00	
Secretary . . . . .	100 00	
Stationery and postage,	43 10	
Printing and advertising,	11 30	
Telephone . . . . .	29 65	
	<hr/>	\$534 05

Sewers and drains.

Labor . . . . .	\$1,312 15	
Teams . . . . .	21 36	
Tools and equipment . . .	99 42	
Pipe and fittings . . .	11 38	
Cement and bricks . . .	44 53	
Castings . . . . .	123 26	
All others . . . . .	51 28	
	<hr/>	1,663 38

*Amounts carried forward,* \$2,197 43 \$46,762 91

*Amounts brought forward,* \$2,197 43 \$46,762 91

Pumping station.

Engineer and fireman .	\$1,782 00	
Fuel and light . . .	527 69	
Oil and waste . . .	35 76	
Equipment and repairs.	134 42	
Repairs on building .	85 19	
	<hr/>	2,565 06

Other Expenses.

Express . . . .	\$9 75	
Water rental . . .	211 82	
Curbing . . . .	90 00	
Labor and supplies .	116 86	
Lumber . . . .	5 03	
Miscellaneous . . .	1 25	
	<hr/>	434 71
		<hr/> 5,197 20

**Sewer Repairs Department.**

Expenditures.

Pump and fittings .	\$993 22	
Boiler and fittings .	283 54	
Labor and supplies .	103 30	
Motor and fittings .	596 03	
	<hr/>	\$1,976 09
		<hr/> 1,976 09

**Refuse and Garbage Department.**

Swill and Ashes.

Contracts . . . .	\$1,876 87
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Night Soil.

Contract . . . .	90 00
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*Amounts carried forward,* \$1,966 87 \$53,936 20

*Amounts brought forward,* \$1,966 87 \$53,936 20

**Cleaning Beaches.**

Labor . . . .	\$380 30	
Teams . . . .	104 50	
	<hr/>	484 80

**Other Expenses.**

Advertising . . . .	\$8 40	
Labor on dump . . . .	1 25	
Miscellaneous . . . .	6 12	
	<hr/>	15 77
		<hr/>
		2,467 44

**Care of Brooks Department.**

**Expenditures.**

Labor and teaming . . . .	\$130 10	
Repairs box drain . . . .	16 25	
Pipe and supplies . . . .	45 22	
	<hr/>	191 57

**Summary of Health and Sanitation.**

	Appropriation and Transfers	Expenditures	Balance
Health . . . .	\$2,650 00	\$2,020 56	\$629 44
Sewer main., . . . .	5,200 00	5,197 20	2 80
Sewer repairs. . . .	2,000 00	1,976 09	23 91
Ref. and garb., . . . .	2,549 00	2,467 44	81 56
Care brooks, . . . .	200 00	191 57	8 43
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$12,599 00	\$11,852 86	\$746 14

*Amount carried forward,*

\$56,595 21



*Amount brought forward,*

\$56,595 21

**HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.****Highway Department.**

## Administration.

Salary of surveyor	.	\$1,175	00
Stationery	.	9	60
		—————	\$1,184 60

## Repairing.

Labor	.	\$8,761	81
Teams	.	2,163	31
Broken stone and gravel.		690	05
Equipment and repairs.		1,045	93
Fuel	.	107	19
Lumber	.	15	37
Miscellaneous supplies.		86	75
Hay, grain and shoeing.		413	70
Board of horse	.	288	00
Contracts	.	175	00
All other	.	187	49
		—————	13 934 60

## Snow Removal.

Labor	.	\$723	45
Teams	.	461	88
Equipment and repairs		22	90
		—————	1,208 23

## Street Crossings.

Labor	.	\$37	50
Equipment and repairs		20	00
		—————	57 50

*Amounts carried forward,*

\$16,384 93 \$56,595 21

*Amounts brought forward,* \$16,384 93 \$56,595 21

Other Expenses.

Street signs . . .	\$35 65	
Street numbering . . .	15 00	
Insurance . . .	194 34	
Carpenter work . . .	70 00	
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	314 99	
	<hr/>	16,699 92

**Sand Building Department.**

Expenditures.

Carpenter work . . .	\$490 00	
Foundation . . .	50 00	
	<hr/>	540 00

**Street Watering and Oiling Department.**

Sprinkling: Water.

Teams . . .	\$971 54	
Water . . .	500 00	
Repairs . . .	3 11	
	<hr/>	\$1,474 65

Sprinkling: Oil.

Labor . . .	\$127 50	
Teams . . .	167 75	
Material . . .	3,513 68	
Salem street (contract),	159 94	
Lincoln Ho. av. c'ntr't,	16 66	
Freight . . .	26 15	
Repairs . . .	4 50	
Engineering Department,	9 17	
	<hr/>	4,025 35
	<hr/>	5,500 00

*Amount carried forward,* \$79,335 13

*Amount brought forward.*

\$79,335 13

**Street Lighting Department.**

## Expenditures.

Electric . . . .	\$9,584 79	
Gas . . . . .	16 94	
Care of lights . . . .	39 56	
Renting . . . . .	18 00	
Telephone . . . . .	28 50	
	<hr/>	9,687 79

**Sidewalk and Curbing Department.**

## Expenditures.

Labor . . . . .	\$136 50	
Teams . . . . .	178 50	
Tar concrete . . . . .	639 02	
Sand and gravel . . . .	145 00	
	<hr/>	1,099 02

**Summary of Highways and Bridges.**

	Appropriation and Transfers	Expenditures	Balance
Highway . .	\$16,700 00	\$16,699 92	\$ 08
Sand Bldg.,	550 00	540 00	10 00
St. water., oil.,	5,500 00	5,500 00	
St. lighting,	9,687 79	9,687 79	
Sidew'k, curb.	1,100 00	1,099 02	98
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	\$33,537 79	\$33,526 73	11 06

*Amount carried forward,*

\$90,121 94

*Amount brought forward,*

\$90,121 94

**CHARITIES AND SOLDIER'S BENEFITS.****Poor Department.**

## General Administration.

Overseers . . . .	\$375 00	
Secretary . . . .	50 00	
Stationery, printing, post.,	20 50	
Telephone . . . .	48 11	
	<hr/>	493 61

## Outside Relief.

Board . . . . .	\$402 70	
Rent . . . . .	605 31	
Fuel . . . . .	125 40	
Groceries and provis'ns,	1,007 70	
Med. and med. att'ndce.	275 50	
	<hr/>	2,416 61

## By Town.

State Institutions . . . .	\$22 17	
Other Institutions . . . .	121 00	
Cash aid . . . . .	80 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	18 82	
	<hr/>	241 99

## By other Cities and Towns.

Cities . . . . .	\$190 39	
Towns . . . . .	282 00	
	<hr/>	472 39

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3,624 60*Amount carried forward,*

\$93,746 54

*Amount brought forward,*

\$93,746 54

**State Aid Department.**

## Expenditures.

Pay rolls . . . .	\$2,809 00	
	————	2,809 00

**Soldier's Relief Department.**

## Expenditures.

Fuel . . . .	\$234 40	
Groceries . . . .	1,857 39	
Cash aid . . . .	617 00	
Burials . . . .	70 00	
Agents fees . . . .	4 00	
	————	2,782 79

**Summary of Charities and Soldier's Benefits.**

	Appropriation and Transfer	Expenditures	Balance
Poor . . . .	\$3,625 00	\$3,624 60	\$ 40
State aid . . . .	3,000 00	2,809 00	191 00
Soldier's relief . . . .	3,000 00	2,782 79	217 21
	————	————	————
	\$9,625 00	\$9,216 39	\$408 61

*Amount carried forward,*

\$99,338 33

*Amount brought forward,*

\$99,338 33

**SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES.****School Department.**

## Administration.

Superintendent . . .	\$900 00	
Clerk . . .	165 00	
Truant Officer . . .	67 50	
Stationery, print'g, post.,	185 50	
Telephone . . .	171 41	
Expense Committee . . .	5 98	
Expense Superintendent,	18 43	
School census . . .	35 00	
All others . . .	160 99	
	<hr/>	\$1,709 81

## Teachers Salaries.

General . . .	\$21,891 80	
Special . . .	203 00	
	<hr/>	22,094 80

## Text Books and Supplies.

Text and ref. books . .	\$1,153 60	
Paper and blank books,	986 45	
Drawing materials . .	38 61	
Laboratory supplies . .	281 55	
Man. Training supplies,	320 20	
All others . . .	365 76	
	<hr/>	3,146 17

## Tuition.

26 15

## Transportation of Pupils.

Carfares . . .	249 00	
Janitors . . .	2,712 00	

*Amounts carried forward,*

\$29,937 93 \$99,338 33

*Amounts brought forward,* \$29,937 93 \$99,338 33

Fuel and Light.

Coal and wood . . .	\$2,496 50	
Gas and electricity . .	184 32	
	<hr/>	2,680 82

Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds.

Carpentry . . . .	\$621 46	
Masonry . . . .	19 80	
Plumbing . . . .	674 89	
Painting . . . .	72 42	
Flags and flagstaff .	4 30	
Janitors' supplies .	277 43	
Water rates . . .	62 43	
Boiler repairs . . .	181 50	
Electrical repairs, .	85 73	
All others, . . . .	159 94	
	<hr/>	2,159 90

Furniture and Furnishings.

Desks and chairs . .	\$628 12	
Clocks . . . .	16 35	
	<hr/>	644 47

Other Expenses.

Rent . . . .	\$259 99	
Diplomas . . . .	19 40	
Insurance . . . .	524 75	
Inspection of children .	200 00	
All others . . . .	81 35	
	<hr/>	1,085 49
		<hr/>
		36,508 61

*Amount carried forward,* \$135,846 94



*Amount brought forward,*

\$135,846 94

**Library Department.**

## Salaries and Wages.

Librarian . . .	\$370 00	
Assistants . . .	185 25	
	<hr/>	\$555 25

## Books and Periodicals.

Books . . .	\$520 46	
Periodicals. . .	74 00	
	<hr/>	594 46

Binding. . . . .	115 39
Stationery, printing and post.,	36 00

## Other Expenses.

Carpenter work . . .	\$45 22	
Express . . . . .	13 75	
Racks and cards . . .	30 00	
Miscellaneous . . . .	9 93	
	<hr/>	98 90
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		1,400 00

**Summary of Schools and Libraries.**

	Appropriation and Transfers	Expenditures	Balance
School . . .	\$36,508 61	\$36,508 61	
Libraries . .	1,400 00	1,400 00	
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	\$37,908 61	\$37,908 61	

*Amount carried forward,*

\$137,246 94

*Amount brought forward,*

\$137,246 94

**RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED.****Park Department.****General Administration.**

Superintendent . . .	\$365 00	
Secretary . . .	50 00	
Stationery and postage,	21 24	
Typewriting . . .	5 00	
Advertising . . .	2 40	
Telephone . . .	40 91	
Expense of superintendent,	3 75	
	<hr/>	\$488 30

**Blaney Beach Reservation.**

Labor on ground . . .	\$39 24	
Water rental . . .	63 55	
Repairs on building . . .	141 42	
Care of beach . . .	82 50	
Granolithic . . .	734 80	
Fountains and plumbing,	97 81	
Miscellaneous . . .	37 33	
	<hr/>	1,196 65

**Monument Avenue Reservation.**

Labor on grounds . . .	\$386 49	
Water rental . . .	11 00	
Signs . . .	11 00	
Loam . . .	28 80	
Drain . . .	50 00	
Plants and shrubs . . .	105 00	
Miscellaneous . . .	5 90	
	<hr/>	598 19

*Amounts carried forward,*

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\$2,283 14 \$137,246 94

*Amounts brought forward,* \$2,283 14 \$137,246 94

Paradise Road Playground.

Labor on grounds . . .	\$227 25	
Water rental . . .	11 00	
All others . . .	63 70	
	<hr/>	301 95

Monument Lot.

Caretaker . . .	\$35 00	
Lawn mower . . .	4 50	
Miscellaneous . . .	2 00	
	<hr/>	41 50
		<hr/> 2,626 59

**Metropolitan Park Maintenance Assessment.**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Assessment . . .	\$2,610 34	
	<hr/>	2,610 34

**Memorial Day Department.**

Expenditures.

Post 118, G. A. R. . .	\$200 00	
	<hr/>	200 00

**Fourth of July Celebration.**

Expenditures.

Music . . . . .	\$220 00	
Fireworks . . . . .	200 00	
Prizes . . . . .	167 00	
Flags . . . . .	52 25	
Lunches and miscellaneous,	60 56	
	<hr/>	699 81

*Amount carried forward,* \$143,383 68

*Amount brought forward,* \$143,383 68

**Heating and Lighting G. A. R. Hall.**

**Printing Town Reports.**

**Expenditures.**

Printing . . .	\$543 20	
Distributing . . .	33 00	
Interleaf . . .	5 00	
	<hr/>	581 20

**Contingent Fund.**

**Transfers.**

Health . . .	\$100 00	
Interest temporary loans,	189 23	
Moth . . .	96 88	
Election and registration,	35 00	
Legislative . . .	20 67	
Interest sewer bonds .	35 00	
Street lighting . . .	37 79	
School . . .	8 61	
Sewer maintenance .	200 00	
Selectmen's . . .	19 03	
Certification notes .	18 00	
	<hr/>	760 21

**Premium Notes and Bonds.**

**Expenditures.**

Certification . . .	\$393 00	
	<hr/>	393 00

*Amount carried forward,* \$145,118 09

*Amount brought forward,*

\$145,118 09

**Summary Recreation and Unclassified.**

	Appropriations and Transfers	Expenditures	Balance
Park . . .	\$2,800 00	\$2,626 59	\$173 41
M.Pk.M'n ass't	2,610 34	2,610 34	
Mem. Day . .	200 00	200 00	
July 4 celebra.	700 00	699 81	19
Ht'ng G.A.R. hall,	75 00		75 00
Town Rp'ts . .	615 00	581 20	33 80
Cont'gt Fund,	850 00	760 21	89 79
Premium Notes and Bonds,	3,091 16	393 00	2,698 16
	<u>\$10,941 50</u>	<u>\$7,871 15</u>	<u>\$3,070 35</u>

**PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES.****Water Department.***Administration.*

Commissioners . . .	\$350 00	
Superintendent . . .	1,077 00	
Clerk . . . . .	288 00	
Reading and rep'rs meters,	1,112 66	
Stat'nry, print'g and post.,	200 47	
Telephone . . . . .	53 42	
Law . . . . .	60 65	
Office furniture . . .	86 78	
Box rent . . . . .	5 00	
Boxes . . . . .	1 75	
Surety bonds . . . .	36 00	
Express . . . . .	10 55	
Engineering Dept. . .	137 13	
Expense, petty cash . .	33 47	
	<u>\$3,452 88</u>	

*Amounts carried forward,*

\$3,452 88 \$145,118 09

*Amounts brought forward,* \$3,452 88 \$145,118 09

General.

Labor . . . .	\$3,952 72	
Teams . . . .	26 55	
Pipe . . . .	2,370 50	
Meters . . . .	632 29	
Equipment and repairs.	862 08	
Repairs on buildings .	127 84	
Taxes . . . .	14 80	
Board of horse . . .	288 00	
Insurance . . . .	27 64	
Meter basins . . . .	46 00	
Fuel . . . .	29 25	
Lead . . . .	96 16	
Trench work . . . .	154 55	
Harness supplies . .	8 75	
Bicycle supplies . . .	6 00	
General supplies . . .	17 50	
Miscellaneous . . . .	115 02	
	<hr/>	8,775 65

Metropolitan Assessments.

Maintenance . . . .	\$1,811 44	
Interest . . . .	6,486 97	
Sinking Fund . . . .	2,352 89	
	<hr/>	10,651 30
Interest Bonded Debt .		8,347 50
Water Bonds retired .		3,000 00
Sink'g Fund requirements,		3,000 00
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		37,227 33
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$182,345 42

*Amount brought forward,*

\$182,345 42

**Cemetery Department.**

## Salaries and Wages.

Superintendent . . .	\$412 50	
Labor . . .	520 38	
	<hr/>	\$932 88

## Other Expenses.

Loam and sods . . .	\$56 60	
Trees and shrubs . . .	99 00	
Hardware and tools . . .	51 68	
Telephone . . .	17 41	
Fertilizer . . .	20 00	
Painting and repairs . . .	110 16	
Water rental . . .	17 08	
Signs and posts . . .	97 75	
Tasscoil . . .	10 30	
Covers . . .	11 76	
Engineering Department, . . .	2 57	
Miscellaneous . . .	1 82	
	<hr/>	496 13

1,429 01

**Summary Public Service Enterprises.**

	Appropriation and Receipts	Expenditures	Balance
Water . . .	\$37,481 59	\$37,227 33	\$254 26
Cemetery . . .	1,500 00	1,429 01	70 99
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	\$38,981 59	\$38,656 34	\$325 25

*Amount carried forward,*

\$183,774 43



*Amount brought forward,* \$183,774 43

**Interest and Maturing Debt.**

Interest temporary loans . . . . .	\$2,189 23	
Interest general debt . . . . .	6,530 01	
Interest sewer bonds . . . . .	6,727 00	
Interest assessment Metropolitan Parks, . . . . .	3,435 47	
State Highway tax . . . . .	74 50	
General debt maturing . . . . .	21,789 00	
Sewer bonds maturing . . . . .	5,600 00	
Met. Park Sinking Fund Assessment, . . . . .	1,129 78	
	<hr/>	47,474 99

**Agency.**

State tax . . . . .	\$14,905 00	
County tax . . . . .	15,485 85	
	<hr/>	30,390 85

**NON REVENUE.**

**Auto Chemical.**

Expenditures.		
Contract . . . . .	\$5,800 00	
	<hr/>	5,800 00

**Sewer Construction.**

Expenditures.		
Crescent street . . . . .	\$2,445 38	
Highland and Rockland, . . . . .	826 16	
Rock avenue . . . . .	743 20	
King street . . . . .	1,453 13	
Banks and Walker . . . . .	1,780 94	
Essex street . . . . .	1,823 40	
Redington street . . . . .	1,411 19	
Columbia street . . . . .	637 98	
Buena Vista and Roy . . . . .	2,523 30	
Castings, connections and others, . . . . .	831 47	
Engineering department, . . . . .	1,123 85	
	<hr/>	15,600 00

*Amount carried forward,* \$283,040 27

*Amount brought forward,*

\$283,040 27

**Highway Teams.**

## Expenditures.

Horses . . . .	\$1,360 00	
Carts . . . .	380 00	
Harness supplies . .	260 00	
	<hr/>	2,000 00

**Street Construction.**

## Paving Gutters.

Labor . . . .	\$453 00	
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## Catch Basins.

Engineering Department	\$53 53	
Pipe . . . .	50 16	
Basin stone . . . .	9 17	
Labor . . . .	200 85	
Teams . . . .	1 25	
Contracts . . . .	150 00	
Castings . . . .	108 50	
Bricks, cement and sand,	172 79	
	<hr/>	746 25
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		1,199 25

**Stone Crusher.**

## Expenditures.

Crusher . . . .	\$1,182 24	
Teaming . . . .	35 00	
Freight . . . .	44 24	
Lumber . . . .	21 20	
Carpenter work . . .	11 40	
Cement . . . .	20 00	
Advertising . . . .	3 30	
Fittings . . . .	7 33	
	<hr/>	1,324 71

**Ledge Removal (Highland Street).**

## Expenditure.

Contract . . . .	\$250 00	
	<hr/>	250 00

*Amount carried forward.*

\$287,814 23

*Amount brought forward,* \$287,814 23

### Banks Road.

#### Expenditures.

Labor . . . .	\$510 50	
Teams . . . .	277 50	
Castings . . . .	10 00	
	<hr/>	798 00

### Continuous Sidewalks.

#### Expenditures.

Labor . . . .	\$1,043 00	
Teams . . . .	88 00	
Edgestone . . . .	2,167 34	
Tar concrete . . . .	125 54	
Granolithic . . . .	2,945 84	
Parking (sods and loam),	300 00	
Advertising . . . .	3 90	
Engineering Department,	326 38	
	<hr/>	7,000 00

### Curbs for Street Corners.

#### Expenditures.

Labor . . . .	\$169 50	
Stone . . . .	255 67	
Blasting . . . .	5 72	
Engineering Department,	59 74	
	<hr/>	490 63

### School Building.

#### Expenditures

Architect . . . .	\$2,584 26	
Engineer . . . .	517 79	
Advertising . . . .	14 80	
Masonry . . . .	4,611 00	
Tabulating . . . .	2 00	
Soundings . . . .	77 87	
	<hr/>	7,807 72

*Amount carried forward,* \$303,910 58

*Amount brought forward,*

\$303,910 58

**Water Construction.**

## Contracts.

Millett road . . .	\$475 00	
Ocean View . . .	175 00	
Beach Bluff . . .	375 00	
Mountainwood road . .	450 80	
Wright street . . .	167 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,642 80

## Other expenses.

Pipe . . . . .	\$967 13	
Valves . . . . .	154 49	
Lead . . . . .	127 61	
Labor . . . . .	26 49	
Supplies . . . . .	73 99	
Miscellaneous . . . .	7 49	
	<hr/>	1,357 20

3,000 00

**Summary Non-Revenue Departments.**

	Appropriations and Transfers	Expenditures	Balance
Auto chem . .	\$6,000 00	\$5,800 00	\$200 00
Sewer con. . .	15,600 00	15,600 00	"
Hghw'y teams.	2,000 00	2,000 00	
Street con. . .	1,200 00	1,199 25	75
Stone crusher,	1,500 00	1,324 71	175 29
Ledge removal.	250 00	250 00	
Banks road . .	800 00	798 00	2 00
Con. sidewalks,	7,000 00	7,000 00	
Curbs st. cor.	500 00	490 63	9 37
Schoolhouse,	88,000 00	7,807 72	80,192 28
Water con. . .	3,000 00	3,000 00	
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	\$125,850 00	\$45,270 31	\$80,579 69

*Amount carried forward,*

\$306,910 58

*Amount brought forward,* \$306,910 58

**School Land.**

Settlement Wiley estate .	\$4,000 00	
	<hr style="width: 50%; margin: 0;"/>	4,000 00

Temporary Loans . . .	\$60,000 00	
	<hr style="width: 50%; margin: 0;"/>	60,000 00

Trust Funds.

Joanna Morse Fund .	\$238 18	
Phillips Sch. Medal Fd.,	60 14	
A. F. Nesbett, (Private)	15 96	
A. F. Nesbett, (General)	8 16	
Cemetery Lots Fund .	691 29	
	<hr style="width: 50%; margin: 0;"/>	1,013 73

\$371,924 31

Less Transfers from.

Engineering Department,	\$1,873 09	
Contingent Fund . . .	742 21	
Water Maintenance . .	854 98	
	<hr style="width: 50%; margin: 0;"/>	3,470 28

Warrants paid . . .	\$368,454 03	
Cash bal. Dec. 29, 1911.	123,302 53	

\$491,756 56

**Detail of Treasurer's Balance.**

Temporary Loan due Jan.

10, 1912 . . . . .	\$40,000 00	
School building balance .	80,192 28	
Other cash . . . . .	3,110 25	
	<hr style="width: 50%; margin: 0;"/>	\$123,302 53

# **TOWN OF** **Balance Sheet**

## **Current**

### **ASSET ACCOUNTS**

#### Cash :

In Banks and Office . . . . .	\$123,302 53
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#### Accounts Receivable :

Uncollected Taxes, 1910 . . . . .	\$2,106 19
Uncollected Taxes, 1911 . . . . .	17,872 27

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19,978 46

Tax Titles held by Town . . . . .	45 30
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Uncollected Moth Assessment, 1910 . . . . .	\$1 20
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Uncollected Moth Assessment, 1911 . . . . .	137 32
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138 52

Uncollected Sidewalk Assessment, 1910 . . . . .	\$16 81
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Uncollected Sidewalk Assessment, 1911 . . . . .	258 44
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275 25

Uncollected Sewer Assessment, 1910 . . . . .	\$152 41
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Uncollected Sewer Assessment, 1911 . . . . .	548 59
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701 00

Uncollected Water Rates . . . . .	\$1,894 25
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Uncollected Water Department Accounts . . . . .	233 96
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2,128 21

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\$146,559 27

### **Debt**

Net Bonded Debt . . . . .	\$647,201 39
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Water Loan Sinking Fund . . . . .	52,148 61
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\$699,350 00

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\$699,350 00

### **Trust**

#### Trust Funds :

Cash and Securities . . . . .	\$9,476 73
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\$9,476 73

## SWAMPSCOTT

December 31, 1912.

## Accounts

## LIABILITY ACCOUNTS

## Temporary Loan :

Anticipation of Taxes . . . . .	\$40,000 00
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## Appropriation Balances :

New Schoolhouse . . . . .	\$80,192 28
Water Department . . . . .	254 26

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80,446 54

Premium on Loans . . . . .	2,698 16
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Overlay 1911 (Reserved for abatements) . . . . .	\$4,252 16
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Less Overdraft 1910 Overlay . . . . .	381 22
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3,870 94

## Revenue (not appropriated until collected) :

Water Rates and Accounts . . . . .	2,128 21
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Excess of Revenue . . . . .	\$28,425 42
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Less Authorized Loans . . . . .	\$7,000 00
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Land for School . . . . .	4,000 00
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11,000 00

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17,425 42

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\$146,569 27

## Accounts

Permanent Improvement Notes . . . . .	\$273,150 00
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Water Bonds (Sinking Fund) . . . . .	150,000 00
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Water Bonds (Serial) . . . . .	84,000 00
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Sewer Bonds (Serial) . . . . .	192,200 00
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\$699,350 00

## Accounts

Joanna Morse Library Fund . . . . .	\$6,134 20
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Phillips School Medal Fund . . . . .	1,544 71
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A. F. Nesbitt Cemetery Fund (Private) . . . . .	201 96
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A. F. Nesbitt Cemetery Fund (General) . . . . .	208 16
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Cemetery Lots, Investment Fund . . . . .	1,387 70
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\$9,476 73



## Notes Payable.

No.	Date of Note.	To whom payable.	Amount	Class.	Time in Yrs.	Rate.	When payable.
136	May 29, 1902	Lor. Tol. & Tupper	\$3,100 00	A	10	3 40-100	Nov. 29, 1912
3-8	July 1, 1903	Col. Nat. Bank	6,000 00	A	9	4	July 1, 1912
9-18	July 1, 1903	Col. Nat. Bank	10,000 00	A	10	4	July 1, 1913
146	May 25, 1904	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	6,500 00	A	20	3 60-100	May 25, 1924
147	May 25, 1904	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	3,450 00	A	8	3 75-100	May 25, 1912
148	May 25, 1904	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	14,000 00	A	10	3 75-100	May 25, 1914
154	May 22, 1905	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	11,000 00	A	10	3 50-100	May 22, 1915
155	May 22, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	10	3 50-100	May 22, 1915
156	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	11	3 50-100	July 15, 1916
157	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	12	3 50-100	July 15, 1917
158	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	13	3 50-100	July 15, 1917
159	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	14	3 50-100	July 15, 1919
160	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	15	3 50-100	July 15, 1920
161	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	16	3 50-100	July 15, 1921
162	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	17	3 50-100	July 15, 1922
163	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	18	3 50-100	July 15, 1923
164	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	B	19	3 50-100	July 15, 1924
165	June 19, 1905	Lynn Inst Sav'gs	2,600 00	C	11	3 50-100	June 19, 1916
172	Nov. 19, 1906	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	7	4	Nov. 19, 1913
173	Nov. 19, 1906	Com. of Mass.	12,000 00	A	10	4	Nov. 19, 1916
181	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	5	4	June 7, 1912
182	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	6	4	June 7, 1913
183	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	7	4	June 7, 1914
184	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	8	4	June 7, 1915
185	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	9	4	June 7, 1916
186	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	11,000 00	A	10	4	June 7, 1917
193	May 14, 1908	L. 5c. Sav'gs Bank	10,000 00	B	15	3 75-100	May 14, 1923
194	May 14, 1908	L. 5c. Sav'gs Bank	4,500 00	D	10	3 75-100	May 14, 1918
196	May 14, 1908	L. 5c. Sav'gs Bank	2,000 00	E	4	3 75-100	May 14, 1912
197	May 14, 1908	L. 5c. Sav'gs Bank	2,000 00	E	5	3 75-100	May 14, 1913
198	May 14, 1908	L. 5c. Sav'gs Bank	1,000 00	E	10	3 75-100	May 14, 1918
204	Dec. 19, 1908	L. 5c. Sav'gs Bank	6,600 00	G	10	3 75-100	Dec. 19, 1918
205	Dec. 19, 1908	L. 5c. Sav'gs Bank	2,900 00	E	9	3 75-100	Dec. 19, 1917
215	Dec. 6, 1909	Com. of Mass.	6,500 00	A	10	4	Dec. 6, 1919
3	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	2	4	July 1, 1912
4	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	2	4	July 1, 1912
5	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	3	4	July 1, 1913
6	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	3	4	July 1, 1913
7	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	4	4	July 1, 1914
8	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	4	4	July 1, 1914
9	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	5	4	July 1, 1915
10	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	5	4	July 1, 1915
11	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	6	4	July 1, 1916
12	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	6	4	July 1, 1916
13	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	7	4	July 1, 1917
14	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	7	4	July 1, 1917
15	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	8	4	July 1, 1918
16	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	8	4	July 1, 1918
17	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	9	4	July 1, 1919
18	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	500 00	A	9	4	July 1, 1919
218	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	2	4	July 1, 1912
219	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	3	4	July 1, 1913
220	July 1, 1910	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	A	4	4	July 1, 1914

NOTES PAYABLE.—*Continued.*

No.	Date of Note.	To whom payable.	Amount.	Class.	Time in Yrs.	Rate.	When payable.
1	Aug. 1, 1911	1st Nat'l Bk., Boston	\$1 000 00	F	1	4	Aug. 1, 1912
2	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	F	2	4	" 1, 1913
3	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	F	3	4	" 1, 1914
4	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	F	4	4	" 1, 1915
5	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	F	5	4	" 1, 1916
1	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	1	4	" 1, 1912
2	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	1	4	" 1, 1912
3	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	1	4	" 1, 1912
4	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	1	4	" 1, 1912
5	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	1	4	" 1, 1912
6	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	2	4	" 1, 1913
7	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	2	4	" 1, 1913
8	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	2	4	" 1, 1913
9	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	2	4	" 1, 1913
10	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	2	4	" 1, 1913
11	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	3	4	" 1, 1914
12	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	3	4	" 1, 1914
13	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	3	4	" 1, 1914
14	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	3	4	" 1, 1914
15	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	3	4	" 1, 1914
16	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	4	4	" 1, 1915
17	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	4	4	" 1, 1915
18	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	4	4	" 1, 1915
19	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	4	4	" 1, 1915
20	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	4	4	" 1, 1915
21	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	5	4	" 1, 1916
22	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	5	4	" 1, 1916
23	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	5	4	" 1, 1916
24	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	5	4	" 1, 1916
25	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	5	4	" 1, 1916
26	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	6	4	" 1, 1917
27	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	6	4	" 1, 1917
28	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	6	4	" 1, 1917
29	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	6	4	" 1, 1917
30	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	6	4	" 1, 1917
31	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	7	4	" 1, 1918
32	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	7	4	" 1, 1918
33	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	7	4	" 1, 1918
34	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	7	4	" 1, 1918
35	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	7	4	" 1, 1918
36	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	8	4	" 1, 1919
37	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	8	4	" 1, 1919
38	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	8	4	" 1, 1919
39	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	8	4	" 1, 1919
40	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	8	4	" 1, 1919
41	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	9	4	" 1, 1920
42	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	9	4	" 1, 1920
43	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	9	4	" 1, 1920
44	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	9	4	" 1, 1920
45	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	10	4	" 1, 1921
46	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	10	4	" 1, 1921
47	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	10	4	" 1, 1921
48	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	10	4	" 1, 1921
49	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	11	4	" 1, 1922
50	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	11	4	" 1, 1922
51	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	11	4	" 1, 1922
52	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	11	4	" 1, 1922
53	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	12	4	" 1, 1923
54	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	12	4	" 1, 1923
55	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	12	4	" 1, 1923
56	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	12	4	" 1, 1923

NOTES PAYABLE.—*Continued.*

No.	Date of Note.	To whom payable.	Amount.	Class.	Time in Yrs.	Rate.	When payable.
57	Aug. 1, 1911	1st Nat'l Bk., Boston	\$1,000 00	B	13	4	Aug. 1, 1924
58	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	13	4	" 1, 1924
59	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	13	4	" 1, 1924
60	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	13	4	" 1, 1924
61	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	14	4	" 1, 1925
62	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	14	4	" 1, 1925
63	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	14	4	" 1, 1925
64	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	14	4	" 1, 1925
65	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	15	4	" 1, 1926
66	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	15	4	" 1, 1926
67	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	15	4	" 1, 1926
68	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	15	4	" 1, 1926
69	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	16	4	" 1, 1927
70	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	16	4	" 1, 1927
71	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	16	4	" 1, 1927
72	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	16	4	" 1, 1927
73	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	17	4	" 1, 1928
74	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	17	4	" 1, 1928
75	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	17	4	" 1, 1928
76	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	17	4	" 1, 1928
77	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	18	4	" 1, 1929
78	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	18	4	" 1, 1929
79	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	18	4	" 1, 1929
80	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	18	4	" 1, 1929
81	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	19	4	" 1, 1930
82	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	19	4	" 1, 1930
83	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	19	4	" 1, 1930
84	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1 000 00	B	19	4	" 1, 1930
85	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	20	4	" 1, 1931
86	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	20	4	" 1, 1931
87	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	B	20	4	" 1, 1931
88	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1, 00 00	B	20	4	" 1, 1931
1	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	I	1	4	" 1, 1912
2	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	I	2	4	" 1, 1913
3	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	I	3	4	" 1, 1914
4	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	I	4	4	" 1, 1915
5	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	1,000 00	I	5	4	" 1, 1916
6	Aug. 1, 1911	" " "	800 00	I	6	4	" 1, 1917
1	Sept. 1, 1911	" " "	1,500 00	J	3	4	Sept. 1, 1914
			\$273,150 00				

A. Permanent Improvements.

C. Morris Land.

E. Highway.

G. Refunding Notes.

J. Stone Crusher.

B. Schoolhouse Loans.

D. Cemetery Improvement.

F. Sidewalk.

I. Auto Chemical.

**Liabilities.****NOTES AND BONDS PAYABLE.**

Due in 1912 . . . . .	\$25,550 00
Due in 1913 . . . . .	24,000 00
Due in 1914 . . . . .	26,500 00
Due in 1915 . . . . .	24,300 00
Due in 1916 . . . . .	28,100 00
Due in 1917 . . . . .	25,000 00
Due in 1918 . . . . .	22,400 00
Due in 1919 . . . . .	16,300 00
Due in 1920 . . . . .	7,300 00
Due in 1921 . . . . .	7,300 00
Due in 1922 . . . . .	7,300 00
Due in 1923 . . . . .	17,300 00
Due in 1924 . . . . .	13,800 00
Due in 1925 . . . . .	4,000 00
Due in 1926 . . . . .	4,000 00
Due in 1927 . . . . .	4,000 00
Due in 1928 . . . . .	4,000 00
Due in 1929 . . . . .	4,000 00
Due in 1930 . . . . .	4,000 00
Due in 1931 . . . . .	4,000 00
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	\$273,150 00

**Water Bonds.**

First Issue . . . . .	\$100,000 00
Second Issue . . . . .	20,000 00
Third Issue . . . . .	20,000 00
Fourth Issue . . . . .	10,000 00
Fifth Issue . . . . .	90,000 00
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	\$240,000 00
Bonds paid . . . . .	\$6,000 00
Sinking Fund . . . . .	52,148 61
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	58,148 61
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	\$181,851 39

**Sewer Bonds.**

Series A	.	.	.	.	.	\$120,000 00	
Series B	.	.	.	.	.	4,000 00	
Series C	.	.	.	.	.	40,000 00	
Series D	.	.	.	.	.	20,000 00	
Series F	.	.	.	.	.	13,000 00	
Series G	.	.	.	.	.	12,000 00	
Series H	.	.	.	.	.	14,000 00	
Series A, 1911	.	.	.	.	.	8,500 00	
Series B, 1911	.	.	.	.	.	3,100 00	
						<hr/>	\$234,600 00

**Amounts paid**

Series A	.	.	.	.	.	\$27,000 00	
Series B	.	.	.	.	.	900 00	
Series C	.	.	.	.	.	9,000 00	
Series D	.	.	.	.	.	4,500 00	
Series H	.	.	.	.	.	1,000 00	
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Outstanding debt	.	.	.	.	.		\$192,200 00
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**Temporary Tax Loans.**

Date of Issue		Time	Per cent	When due
Mar. 29, '11, Security Trust Co., Lynn	\$20,000	287 da.	3.40	Jan. 10, '12
Mar. 29, '11, Security Trust Co., Lynn	10,000	287 da.	3.40	Jan. 10, '12
Mar. 29, '11, Security Trust Co., Lynn	10,000	287 da.	3.40	Jan. 10, '12
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	\$40,000			

**Town Debt.**

Permanent Improvement Notes	.		\$273,150 00
Sewer Bonds	.	.	192,200 00
Water Bonds	.	.	181,851 39
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			\$647,201 39
Temporary loans due Jan. 10, 1912,			40,000 00
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			\$687,201 39
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During the past year I have compared the payments of the Collector of Taxes with the receipts of the Treasurer and found them correct.

I have examined and checked all the notes and bonds paid during the past year and find them properly cancelled. I have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer at the close of each month's business and have found the proper balances as entered on his books.

I have examined and had in hand the securities and bank books of the Water Sinking Fund, the Joanna Morse Library Fund, the Phillips School Medal Fund, the A. F. Nesbitt Cemetery Funds and the Cemetery Lots Investment Fund and found them as reported elsewhere.

The following bills were reported as unpaid December 29, 1911.

Highway Department	.	.	.	\$150 00
Street Watering and Oiling	.	.	.	257 62

Respectfully submitted,

C. G. ROWELL,

*Town Accountant.*

**Nathan G. Bubier, Collector of Taxes in Account Current  
with the Town of Swampscott, Mass.**

1908.

DR.

Uncollected sidewalk assessment. . . . .	\$5 37
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CR.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer on sidewalk assessment . . . . .	\$5 37
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**Nathan G. Bubier, Collector of Taxes in Account Current  
with the Town of Swampscott, Mass.**

1909

DR.

Uncollected moth assessment . . . . .	\$4 50
Uncollected taxes . . . . .	492 90
Taxes in excess of warrant . . . . .	29 30
	<hr/> \$526 70 <hr/>

CR.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer on moth assessment . . . . .	\$3 00
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer on taxes . . . . .	448 20
Abatement on moth tax . . . . .	1 50
Abatement on taxes . . . . .	42 00
Tax titles taken for Town and turned over to B. O. Honors, treasurer . . . . .	32 00
	<hr/> \$526 70 <hr/>



**Nathan G. Bubier, Collector of Taxes, in Account Current  
with the Town of Swampscott, Mass.**

1910.

DR.

Uncollected moth tax . . . . .	\$86 35
Uncollected sidewalk assessment . . . . .	93 20
Uncollected sewer assessment . . . . .	388 26
Uncollected taxes . . . . .	8,859 09
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	\$9,426 90

CR.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, on moth tax . . . . .	\$66 10
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, on sewer assessment . . . . .	197 67
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, on sidewalk assessment . . . . .	76 39
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, on taxes . . . . .	6,219 22
Abatements on moth tax . . . . .	19 05
Sewer assessments cancelled . . . . .	38 82
Abatements on taxes . . . . .	539 70
Uncollected moth tax . . . . .	1 20
Uncollected sewer assessment . . . . .	151 77
Uncollected sidewalk assessment . . . . .	16 81
Uncollected taxes ready for advertising and taking for the Town of Swamp- scott . . . . .	2,100 17
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	\$9,426 90

**Nathan G. Bubier, Collector of Taxes, in Account Current  
with the Town of Swampscott, Mass.**

1911

DR.

State tax . . . . .	\$14,905 00
County tax . . . . .	15,485 85
Metropolitan Park Tax . . . . .	4,482 64
State Highway Tax . . . . .	74 50
Charles River Basin Tax . . . . .	2,692 95
Moth tax . . . . .	1,654 75
Sewer assessment . . . . .	874 31
Sidewalk assessment . . . . .	508 53
Town tax . . . . .	135,003 56
Overlay . . . . .	7,957 74
Supplementary list . . . . .	310 90
Excise tax . . . . .	588 03
Interest on taxes at 6 per cent . . . . .	3 50

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\$184,542 26

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## CR.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer on taxes . . . . .	\$159,988 94
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, on moth tax . . . . .	1,461 31
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, on sewer assessment . . . . .	261 16
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, on sidewalk assessment . . . . .	250 09
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, for excise tax . . . . .	588 03
Cash paid B. O. Honors, treasurer, for interest at 6 per cent on taxes . . . . .	3 50
Discount 2 per cent paid on taxes on or before October 1st, 1911 . . . . .	2,889 30
Discount 2 per cent paid on moth tax on or before October 1st, 1911 . . . . .	26 62
Rebate on moth tax . . . . .	26 25
Sewer assessment cancelled . . . . .	64 56
Abatements on taxes . . . . .	624 09
Uncollected moth tax . . . . .	140 57
Uncollected sewer assessment . . . . .	548 59
Uncollected sidewalk assessment . . . . .	258 44
Uncollected taxes . . . . .	17,410 81
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	\$184,542 26

**TABLE OF AGGREGATES**  
and Assessors' Valuation of the Town of Swampscott

	April 1, 1911	April 1, 1910	Increase
Number of residents assessed on property	1,144	1,078	66
Number of firms, corporations, etc.	43	38	- 5
Number of non-residents assessed on property	303	305	2*
Number of non-resident firms, corporations, etc.	20	18	2
Number of persons assessed on property	1,510	1,439	71
Number of persons assessed poll tax only	1,225	1,137	88
Number of persons assessed	2,735	2,576	159
Number of male polls assessed	1,636	1,591	45
Value of assessed personal estate	\$2,771,167 00	\$2,698,340 00	\$72,827 00
Value of Buildings, excluding land	4,579,850 00	4,297,200 00	282,650 00
Value of Land, excluding buildings	4,471,000 00	4,192,000 00	279,000 00
Total value of assessed real estate	\$9,050,850 00	\$8,489,200 00	\$561,650 00
Total value of assessed estate	11,822,017 00	11,187,540 00	634,477 00
Tax for state, county, and town purposes:			
On personal estate	\$41,567 49	40,475 10	1,092 39
On real estate	135,762 75	127,338 00	8,424 75
On polls	3,272 00	3,182 00	90 00
Total	\$180,602 24	\$170,995 10	\$9,607 14
Rate of total tax per \$1,000	15 00	15 00	
Number of horses assessed	245	248	3*
Number of cows assessed	88	68	20
Number of neat cattle other than cows	1	1	
Number of dwelling-houses assessed	1,433	1,375	58
Number of acres of land assessed	1,675	1,675	

\*Decrease

## Statistics of the Town of Swampscott, 1870=1911.

ASSESSORS' VALUATION MAY 1.					MARCH 1.	
YEAR.	REAL ESTATE	PERSONAL PROPERTY	TOTAL VALUATION	RATE TAXES PER \$1.000	YEAR.	NOTES PAYABLE
1911	\$9,050,850	\$2,771,167	\$11,822,017	\$15.00	1912	\$273,150.00
1910	8,489,200	2,698,340	11,187,540	15.00	1911	194,639.00
1909	7,675,905	2,450,021	10,125,926	16.00	1910	184,295.00
1908	7,312,165	2,680,490	9,992,655	16.00	1909	191,295.00
1907	7,099,090	2,317,468	9,317,468	14.50	1908	176,420.00
1906	6,303,625	2,093,820	8,397,445	14.50	1907	167,320.00
1905	6,030,185	2,117,442	8,147,627	14.50	1906	151,320.00
1904	5,489,121	2,206,172	7,695,293	12.90	1905	110,020.00
1903	5,135,124	4,286,981	6,422,105	11.50	1904	114,770.00
1902	4,762,665	1,744,874	6,507,539	12.00	1903	75,270.00
1901	4,668,985	1,598,745	6,267,730	12.00	1902	70,600.00
1900	4,446,900	1,138,275	5,585,175	11.00	1901	68,100.00
1899	4,200,175	1,199,045	5,399,220	11.50	1900	64,300.00
1898	4,135,582	1,318,591	5,454,173	14.00	1899	59,000.00
1897	3,997,975	1,304,163	5,302,138	12.00	1898	71,000.00
1896	3,896,059	1,245,245	5,141,304	12.00	1897	78,250.00
1895	3,756,900	1,444,947	5,201,847	12.00	1896	84,500.00
1894	3,619,525	1,529,675	5,149,200	11.00	1895	66,333.30
1893	3,439,975	1,649,953	5,089,928	11.00	1894	71,166.66
1892	3,271,279	1,504,170	4,775,449	10.00	1893	37,499.99
1891	3,122,350	1,771,373	4,893,723	10.00	1892	42,333.32
1890	3,001,550	1,857,777	4,859,327	10.00	1891	48,666.66
1889	2,585,431	1,453,301	4,038,732	8.40	1890	52,500.00
1888	2,465,256	1,501,530	3,966,792	8.50	1889	56,000.00
1887	2,417,556	1,288,498	3,706,054	8.00	1888	57,500.00
1886	2,383,055	1,275,405	3,658,460	9.50	1887	55,500.00
1885	2,365,280	1,130,863	3,496,143	9.00	1886	47,500.00
1884	2,371,610	1,135,215	3,506,825	11.00	1885	49,000.00
1883	2,259,855	1,589,566	3,849,411	8.50	1884	50,500.00
1882	2,228,330	1,264,938	3,493,268	6.00	1883	49,000.00
1881	2,121,080	807,159	2,928,239	7.20	1882	30,500.00
1880	1,991,880	1,133,247	3,125,127	7.00	1881	31,750.00
1879	1,930,205	418,904	2,349,109	8.30	1880	39,424.80
1878	2,049,980	384,841	2,434,821	8.00	1879	42,424.00
1877	2,041,935	340,323	2,382,258	8.50	1878	42,424.80
1876	2,108,462	360,961	2,469,423	12.00	1877	45,524.80
1875	2,074,850	389,441	2,464,291	10.00	1876	50,224.80
1874	2,028,875	457,260	2,486,135	11.00	1875	51,432.80
1873	1,949,225	460,867	2,410,792	12.00	1874	50,342.50
1872	1,854,750	578,000	2,432,750	9.50	1873	47,068.00
1871	1,598,800	504,073	2,102,873	9.50	1872	43,150.00

**BENJAMIN O. HONORS, Treasurer.**

In account current with the Town of Swampscott, Mass., for the fiscal year ending December 30, 1911.

*General Department.*

(All departments except Water).

	Receipts.	Total.
February 1, 1911. Balance on hand . . . . .		\$32,121 96

*Bonds issued.*

Fire . . . . .	\$5,800 00	
Schoolhouse . . . . .	88,000 00	
Sewer . . . . .	11,600 00	
Sidewalk . . . . .	5,000 00	
Stone crusher . . . . .	1,500 00	
	<hr/>	111,900 00

*Cemetery Department.* (Perpetual Care).

Interest on deposits . . . . .	\$36 29	
Deposited for care . . . . .	100 00	
Sale of lots . . . . .	555 00	
	<hr/>	691 29

*Continuous Sidewalks.*

From abutters . . . . .	1,118 55
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*Engineering Department.*

From Water Department . . . . .	137 13
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Amount carried forward,	<hr/> \$145,968 93
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	Receipts	Total
<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$145,968 93
<i>Fire Department.</i>		
Rent of building . . . .	\$12 50	
Sale of horses . . . .	175 00	
	<hr/>	187 50
<i>Highway Department.</i>		
Roller, use of . . . .	\$24 00	
Stone sold . . . .	12 50	
	<hr/>	36 50
<i>Interest Account.</i>		
Accrued on bonds sold . .	\$561 33	
Premium on bonds sold . .	2,529 83	
On Treasurer's deposits . .	1,445 68	
	<hr/>	4,536 84
<i>Massachusetts, Commonwealth of.</i>		
Burial indigent soldiers and sailors.	\$111 00	
Corporation Tax, balance . .	273 16	
Corporation Tax . . . .	15,212 12	
Corporation Tax, business . .	265 48	
Metropolitan Parks, boulevards .	16 00	
Metropolitan Parks, maintenance.	16 00	
National Bank Tax, balance . .	86	
National Bank Tax . . . .	5,587 19	
State Aid, reimbursement . .	3,383 00	
Street Railway Tax . . . .	1,064 19	
Tuition of Children . . . .	74 50	
	<hr/>	26,003 50
<i>Milk Inspector's Department.</i>		
Licenses, from H. D. Smith.		
Inspector . . . .		20 50
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$176,753 77



	Receipts.	Total.
<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$176,753 77
<i>Moth Department</i>		
From Commonwealth of Massachusetts, reimbursement . . .		13 50
<i>Notes Issued.</i>		
Temporary Loans . . . . .		100,000 00
<i>Park Department.</i>		
From H. W. Blanchard, Superintendent . . . . .	\$71 80	
From Park Commissioners . . . . .	254 00	
	<hr/>	325 80
<i>Police Department.</i>		
Ambulance, use of . . . . .	\$16 00	
Fines . . . . .	239 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	4 80	
	<hr/>	259 80
<i>Poor Department.</i>		
Reimbursements . . . . .		327 69
<i>Redington Street School Property.</i>		
Sale of Chick house . . . . .	\$155 00	
Sale of stable . . . . .	230 00	
Sale of fence and building . . . . .	13 00	
Sale of school building . . . . .	226 00	
Sale of Wiley house . . . . .	125 00	
	<hr/>	749 00
<i>Rentals.</i>		
Tenement over Police Station . . . . .		121 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$278,550 56

Receipts.

Total.

*Amount brought forward,*

\$278,550 56

*Sealer Weights and Measures Department.*

From Alfred G. Watts, Sealer of  
Weights and Measures . . .

27 81

*Sewer Department.*

Sale of bags . . . . .

35 00

*State Aid.*

Reimbursement, pay roll . . .

4 00

*Tax Account.*

From Nathan G. Bubier, Collector,

175,823 45

*Town Clerk's Department.*

Licenses : From Milton D. Porter,

Town Clerk

Junk . . . . . \$120 00

Miscellaneous . . . . . 26 00

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 146 00
*Town Hall Department.*

From L. Herbert Cahoon, Agent,

Rentals . . . . .

177 00

*Trust Funds.*

Joanna Morse, Public Library

Fund, interest on deposits . . . \$238 18

A. F. Nesbitt, Private Cemetery

Fund, interest on deposits . . . 7 96

A. F. Nesbitt, Private, reimburse-

ment for care of lot (two years), . . . 8 00

*Amounts carried forward,*

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 \$254 14

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 \$454,763 82

	Receipts	Total
<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$254 14	\$454,763 82
A. F. Nesbitt, General Cemetery Fund, interest on deposits .	8 16	
Phillips School Medal Fund, reimbursement for medals purchased.	43 69	
Phillips School Medal Fund, interest on deposits . . . .	60 14	
	<hr/>	<hr/>
		366 13
		<hr/>
		\$455,129 95
		<hr/>

*General Department.*

Payments.		
Total Warrants for year . . .	\$331,226 70	
Transferred to Water Department, reimbursement . . .	854 98	
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		\$332,081 68
December 30th, 1911, cash balance on hand, General Department . . . . .		123,048 27
		<hr/>
		\$455,129 95
		<hr/>

*Water Department.*

February 1st, 1911, balance on hand . . . . .	\$5,002 14	
Receipts.		
From Commissioners . . . . .	32,479 45	
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		\$37,481 59
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Payments.		
Total Warrants for year . . .		\$37,227 33
December 30th, 1911, cash balance on hand . . . . .		254 26
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		\$37,481 59
		<hr/>

## Investment Fund.

Cemetery Department (Perpetual  
care) . . . . .

\$1,387 70

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## Trust Funds.

A. F. Nesbitt, General Cemetery  
Fund . . . . .

\$208 16

A. F. Nesbitt, Private Cemetery  
Fund . . . . .

201 96

Phillips School Medal Fund .

1,544 71

Public Library, Joanna Morse  
Fund . . . . .

6,134 20

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\$8,089 03

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Cash on deposit, reserved for coupons outstanding :

Water . . . . .

\$87 50

Sewer . . . . .

43 75

## Auditors' Report.

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SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., January 25, 1912.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Herewith is submitted the Annual Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1911.

We have examined and audited the accounts of the various officials and departments of the Town, and have compared the items of receipts and expenditures and find correct balances and vouchers for same.

The Treasurer's accounts have been audited regularly, and balances found correct for each quarter.

We also have audited the accounts of the Collector of Taxes, the Bonds of the Water and Sewer Department, and the Trust Funds.

Bank Cashier's certificates shows the Treasurer's balance as correct each quarter.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. CAHOON,

STUART P. ELLIS,

NATHANIEL F. BARTLETT.

## Town Warrant, 1912.

ESSEX, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County,* *GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Monday, the nineteenth day of February, current, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for one (1) year.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for one (1) year.

To choose a member of the Board of Selectmen for  
three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Assessors  
for three (3) years.

To choose a Town Treasurer for one (1) year.

To choose a Collector of Taxes for one (1) year.

To choose one member of the Board of School  
Committee for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Trustees of  
the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose a Board of Auditors for one (1) year.

To choose one member of the Board of Overseers  
of the Poor for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Health for  
three (3) years.

To choose a Surveyor of Highways for three (3) years.

To choose three Constables for one (1) year.

To choose a Park Commissioner for three (3) years.

To choose a member of the Water and Sewerage Commission for three (3) years.

To choose a Tree Warden for one (1) year.

All to be chosen on one ballot.

ART. 3. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town?

ART. 4. To vote by ballot "Yes or No." To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 468 of the Acts of the General Court of 1911, being an act to extend the provisions of the Civil Service Act to Chiefs of Police, as petitioned for by William H. Bates and others.

ART. 5. To hear and act upon the reports of the Selectmen, the School Committee, the Water and Sewerage Commissioners, the Board of Health, the Library Trustees, the Park Commissioners, the Overseers of the Poor, the Board of Assessors, the Board of Auditors, the Surveyor of Highways, the Tree Warden, the Committee on Street Lighting, the Committee on Ways and Means, the Board of Fire Engineers, the Chief of Police, the Superintendent of the Cemetery, the Inspector of Plumbing, the Inspector of Animals, the Inspector of Provisions, the Inspector of Milk, the Sealer of Weights and Measures, the Town Accountant, the Committee on July 4th, the Committee on increased accommodations for the Library, the Committee on Auto Chemical, the Committee on Land for Park Purposes, the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites, the Committee on Boulevard, the Committee on land purchase on Rock avenue, the Town Engineer, the Superintendent of Moth Work, the Building



Removal Committee, the Schoolhouse Construction Committee and the Committee on the Widening of Humphrey street.

ART. 6. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Collector of Taxes for the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Water and Sewerage Commissioners for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collections of taxes and what rate of discount, if any, will be allowed for the prompt payment on or before a certain date.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in relation to salaries for Town officials for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations in the Selectmen's Report as contained in the Annual Report, December 30, 1911, on pages 169, 173, 174, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192.

ART. 12. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Overseers of the Poor as contained in the Annual Report, December 30, 1911, on page 238.

ART. 13. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Park Commissioners, as contained in the Annual Report, December 30, 1911, on pages 242, 243, 244.

ART. 14. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Highway Surveyor as contained in the Annual Report, December 30, 1911 on page 249.

ART. 15. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Engineers of the Fire Department as contained in the Annual Report December 30, 1911, on page 251.

ART. 16. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Street Light Committee as contained in the Annual Report December 30, 1911, on page 271.

ART. 17. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Cemetery as contained in the Annual Report December 30, 1911, on page 272.

ART. 18. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Tree Warden as contained in the Annual Report December 30, 1911, on page 276.

ART. 19. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Water and Sewerage Board as contained in the Annual Report December 30, 1911, on pages 282, 283, 296, 298.

ART. 20. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the recommendations of the Committee on Schoolhouse Sites as contained in the Annual Report December 30, 1911, on page 281.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Great and General Court for appropriate legislation to divert the course of the brook running along the easterly side of Paradise road and to construct a cement culvert along Paradise road of sufficient size to receive and carry the water of said brook to the sea, and also for such appropriate legislation effecting any and all other brooks within the Town in such manner as may be found upon investigation of the Board of Selectmen, advisable, as petitioned for by Robert Leslie and others.

ART. 22. To see what action the Town will take, if any, towards granting a Saturday half holiday with pay for the employees of the Highway, Water, Sewer, Health, Cemetery and Moth Departments from May 1st to November 1st as petitioned for by James D. Bentley and others.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will construct a sewer from the Pumping Station on Humphrey street to Humphrey square and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for by Walter M. Boyden and others.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Sewer Commissioners to construct a sewer from Humphrey street through Greenwood avenue to a point opposite the Phillips school on said avenue and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for by Harry B. Newcomb and others.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to build a sewer in Mapledale place and appropriate the money for same as recommended by the Water and Sewerage Board.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will vote to build a sewer in Rock avenue and appropriate the money for same as recommended by the Water and Sewerage Board.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will vote to build a sewer in Melvin avenue and appropriate the money for same as recommended by the Water and Sewerage Board.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will build a sewer in Ontario street and appropriate the money for same as recommended by the Water and Sewerage Board.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will vote to build a sewer from Puritan lane to the entrance of premises now known as "The Oakland" and appropriate money for the same as recommended by the Water and Sewerage Board.

ART. 30. To see if the Town will erect and maintain an Arc Light at the junction of Millett road and Ocean View terrace, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by H. W. Rowell and others.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will erect and maintain an Incandescent Light on the east side of Pine street, opposite Ontario street, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Herman F. Ashton and others.

ART. 32. To see if the Town will erect and maintain a Light on Norfolk avenue, in the rear of the Clarke school, and appropriate money for same, as petitioned for by H. P. Fifield and others.

ART. 33. To see if the Town will vote to complete the lighting of Phillips avenue along the line of the A. W. Preston estate to the intersection at Atlantic avenue as petitioned for by Arthur F. Estabrook and others.

ART. 34. To see if the Town will erect and maintain three Incandescent lights on the easterly end of Phillips avenue and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Richard W. Melville and others.

ART. 35. To see if the Town will vote to return to Pitman & Brown their certified check of \$2,000.00 which accompanied proposal for building schoolhouse as recommended by the Building Construction Committee.

ART. 36. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$12,000 for furnishing of, grading around, and any extra expense incurred during construction of, the Hadley School, as recommended by the Building Construction Committee, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Selectmen, to borrow that sum to meet said appropriation.

ART. 37. To see if the Town will construct a stone or concrete culvert on Humphrey street, from the vicinity of Roberts' stable to Glen road, for the purpose of taking care of the surface water and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Patrick Cryan and others.

ART. 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 191 of the Acts of 1907, an act to authorize the establishment of Boards of Survey in Towns, as petitioned for by John Albree and others.

ART. 39. To see if the Town will direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature for authority to borrow the sum of \$30,000 outside the debt limit for the purpose of constructing or covering sidewalks, as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 40. To see what action the Town will take in relation to installing on the Playgrounds swings and other apparatus for the small children, and to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the same, as petitioned for by Arthur T. Tapper and others.

ART. 41. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the report and recommendations therein contained, of the Special Committee appointed at the last Annual Town Meeting in consequence of Article 32 of that Warrant, on the taking of certain land for Park purposes, and make appropriation in accordance with and for the purposes of said recommendations.

ART. 42. To see if the Town will vote to have the Elm Tree in front of the George Gilbert estate, No. 11 Redington street, saved from destruction, notwithstanding the construction of a sidewalk on that side of the street, as petitioned for by William G. Earp and others.

ART. 43. To see what action the Town will take in relation to increasing the salary of the Collector of Taxes to \$600.00 per year, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Martin L. Quinn and others.

ART. 44. To see if the Town will vote to construct a surface water drain on Atlantic avenue from Phillips avenue to the brook at Beach Bluff avenue, build necessary catch-basins and appropriate money for the same as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 45. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of seventy-five (\$75) dollars to be placed in the hands of General James L. Bates, Post 118 G. A. R., for the heating and lighting of the Grand Army Hall, as recommended by the Selectmen.

ART. 46. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles.

The polls to be closed at sunset.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this third day of February, in the year nineteen hundred and twelve.

CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,  
ELIAS G. HODGKINS,  
JAMES F. CATON,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*













